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DAILY GAZETTE.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

—Mrs. Tilton supports herself by teaching music.

—Indianapolis is burning oil at ten cents a gallon instead of gas.

—McKee wants to get things fixed so that he can begin to live down the scandal.

—The campaign in New Hampshire has already opened with considerable vigor.

—The Chicago *Tribune* has swung around, and is now in favor of the Resumption act.

—They are calling to account the honest dairymen in New York who sell chalk and water for the lacteal fluid.

—The frontier settlers are sending in their claims for Indian depredations by the million dollars at a time.

—The choir singers are getting impatient for Moody and Sankey to commence the new campaign in New York.

—The *Tablet*, a prominent Catholic organ, regards the work of Messrs. Moody and Sankey as productive of positive good.

—If they have no more snow in the mountains, it is expected that the trains on the Union Pacific can be dug out in three or four days.

—Mayor Warner, of Massilon would not be warned against the "flowing bowl," and so they dropped him by means of an investigating committee.

—The Indians in the Black Hills are said to be preparing to welcome the invading army of miners "with bloody hands to hospitable graves."

—Jack Frost got his work in well during the last few days, and the ice men in all quarters have changed their doleful refrain to a merry roundelay.

—An organization has been effected in New York and stringent rules adopted to prevent gambling and purge base ball ranks of the men who have brought disgrace upon it by gambling practices.

—The printing of the Confederate war records is rapidly going forward under the direction of the Secretary of War. About a thousand pages, chiefly concerning the battles in 1861, are now in print.

—They say an arrangement is on the tapis by which McKee will be let off with the payment of a fine of about $7,000 or $8,000, and so imprisonment—or the very lightest imprisonment to which he can be subjected.

—The reputed compromise between Germany and the Papacy does not seem to be very effective or permanent, if it was ever agreed upon. How could there be a compromise between two such irreconcilable powers?

—If a Russian correspondent of the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* is to be credited there is to be a great European war between France, Austria, and Russia upon the one hand, and Germany, England, and Turkey upon the other.

—Zach Chandler's administration of the Interior Department is now considered a model one—even by his enemies. Zachariah, raked in $11,000 more receipts into the Patent office last month than were ever before reported.

—Congress has taken hold of the cattle transportation question at last, and is discussing the providing of better accommodations for stock en route to the eastern markets. Mr. Bergh advocates the measure and Tom Sco ti opposes it.

—It's an ill wind that blows nobody any good. The snow blockade on the Union Pacific Railroad comes to help Col. Scott, as it shows the advisability of having a new route to the Pacific that will not be subject to meteorological influences.

—The Ohio River, Ohio and West Virginia, and Kanawha salt companies will have on hand in April 300,000 barrels. This is twice the amount on hand in the Saginaw Valley. The Ohio manufacturers claim to have made no money for two years.

—Remarking that the Republican party is in a much healthier condition than it formerly was, the New York *Times* thinks the Presidential issue will settle itself, and is anything but anxious to nail the colors of any particular candidate to the mast.

—They want to set Judge Kelley aside in Philadelphia and give some other old man a chance to do the Congressional spouting next term for the Quaker City. Kelley won't be set aside if he can help it, and there is a prospect of something warm in the wigwam.

—The New York *Tribune* is coming around fast. It said yesterday: "There appears to be no anti-Blaine faction in Maine on the Presidential question. The State press of the party is unanimous in his favor. He is the only candidate who has such a backing."

—"Majah" Hutchins, of St. Louis, responds to "Majah" Bowman. He informs him that he is "an unmitigated liah and mannikin sneak." The world cannot hold both of these brave men—death is preferable to dishonah —pistols and sour-krout for two—*nemo me impune lacessit*—howld me or I'll fight.

—The *Irish World* views the alleged overture of the English Ritualists for recognition by the Church of Rome with obvious jealousy. It fears that if accepted they will be put in the places now occupied by Irish priests. As the sensational story has been pretty well exploded, the *World's* alarm may subside.

—The railroads are a great trouble to several of the States of Europe. Germany and Italy desire to purchase the lines in their respective boundaries, but the companies having the situation in their own hands, are holding on and making a thousand objections to the transaction, in hopes of securing a better price.

—Miss Tupper, of Iowa, the widely famous bee culturist, has been arrested for a series of forgeries, extending over a couple of years past, and the insanity dodge is being waked up again. We are told by "those who have disclosed to her the discovery of her forgeries that her statements were so mixed with inconsistencies, tears, laughter, indifference, speculations for the future, and singular conduct, as to lead to the conclusion that the woman is insane."

—The bill fixing the pay and allowances of army officers, as reported back to the House, reduces the pay of General officers even below the figures recommended in the bill as originally presented by the Chairman of the Military Committee. The General of the Army is cut down to $10,000, Lieutenant General to $8,000, Major General to $6,000, and Brigadier Generals to $5,000, and the allowances of Quartermasters, &c., are proportionately reduced. The aggregate reduction proposed in the bill is nearly $700,000 below the estimates submitted by the War Department.

—Fresh illustrations of Winslow's swindling come to light daily. A gentleman interested in a Christian object recently went to Winslow and asked him to contribute something. In the course of the conversation the gentleman remarked that he had a check for $50 which he proposed to hand in for the object named. "I am glad to have an opportunity to give what I can to it," said Winslow. "Here is a note for $100, but you must give me that $50 check, as I cannot afford to contribute more than $50." It is needless to say that the note was forged, and that Winslow received a check for $50 for a worthless piece of paper.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

—J. E. Bliss, a railway postal clerk, was arrested at Cleveland yesterday for robbing the mails. He confessed.

—The sub-committee yesterday agreed to report to the Railroad Committee in favor of granting aid to the Texas Pacific.

—The Republican branch of the Minnesota Legislature, on a "straw" vote, went 48 for Blaine, and 34 for other candidates. Washburne got 12, Grant 5, Morton 4, and Bristow 5, the others being scattered.

—About half a dozen farm houses and a number of out houses were destroyed during the storm last Tuesday by heavy swells of the back-water in the lower part of Vanderburg county, Indiana. One life is reported lost.

—A hundred leading Ritualistic clergymen of London are out in a card disclaiming any connection with any movement looking to union with Rome, and declaring such a union impossible until the Vatican diocese are repealed as formally they were promulgated.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, February 4, 1876.

The Simmons Murder.

Fuchs has been formally declared by the Coroner's jury to be the murderer of William W. Simmons. The police yesterday found in the cellar in which Fuchs kept his wood and coal, near one of the foundation walls beneath the flooring, the heart and liver of the murdered man, which it was supposed had been destroyed by fire after the clothing had been burned. Thus, piece by piece the whole of the disovered body has been recovered. At the inquest Police Inspector Wood said the child, Ellen Kehoe, told him that Simmons, Fuchs and her mother were all drunk together, until her mother fell on the floor, and she and Fuchs put her to bed; Simmons and Fuchs then drank more, until the former fell asleep in a chair; Fuchs did not seem to be drunk; he took hold of an arm of Simmons and pulled him upon the floor. He then got the hatchet, spit on his hands and rubbed them together, and with the hatchet struck Simmons on the neck.

FOREIGN ADVICES.

BELGIUM.

A Colliery Horror.

ST. ELIENNE, February 4.—An explosion of fire-damp took place to-day in the Jabin colliery. Men were at work in the pit at the time to the number of two hundred and thirty. Of these only twenty-six have been taken out, two of whom were dead. The earth is falling in in immense masses. Consternation prevails throughout the district.

SPAIN.

Rumored Defeat of Carlists.

PARIS, February 4.—The *Bien Public* says it has received intelligence of the complete defeat of the Carlists. It is stated that Don Carlos has fled, and is expected to take refuge on French territory.

SECOND EDITION

THE STATE CAPITAL.

Legislative Proceedings.

The Finance Bill Passed by the Senate.

The House Disagrees to Mr. Strang's Amendments.

The Bill Referred to a Conference Committee.

Alleged Mismanagement at the Philadelphia House of Refuge.

A Committee Appointed to Investigate.

A Bill to Reduce the Select Council of Pittsburgh.

Special to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

HARRISBURG, February 4, 1876.

SENATE.

The Senate was called to order at ten o'clock, Mr. Davis, President *pro tem.*, in the chair.

The Finance Bill.

Mr. STRANG made a statement that he would call up the act relative to diverting money from the Sinking Fund if it was understood by the Senate (which was not very full) that it would pass. He supposed the difficulties could be settled in a Committee of Conference.

Mr. ALBRIGHT stated that he thought it was best to pass the bill this morning, and that the difficulties could be settled in a Committee of Conference.

The bill as amended yesterday was read, and the yeas and nays were called, and were as follows: Yeas 36, nays none.

Bills Reported Favorably from Committees.

To authorize the Governor to appoint a suitable person to take temporary charge of the Marine Hospital at Erie.

Amending the liability act making stockholders liable for double the amount of stock held by them.

An act to enable banks to consolidate

Bills Introduced.

An act to exempt persons who religiously observe the seventh day of the week as Sabbath from the penalties of the act of April 22d, 1794.

A supplement to an act establishing an Insurance Department, having co-operative Insurance companies under the control of the Insurance Department.

An act to prohibit and prevent having or using fire and lights on board of vessels whilst lying at any wharf on or near to which petroleum is stored or kept for export.

Investigation Report.

Mr. NAGLE presented a minority report of the committee to investigate the charters of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad and Philadelphia Coal and Iron Company. The same was presented in the House by Mr. Losch.

Passed Second Reading.

Several bills passed the Senate on second reading, all of which have been published by the Pittsburgh press while on their first reading.

Adjournment.

Mr. COOPER introduced the following:

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Adopted.

The following concurrent resolution was agreed to:

Resolved, That when both Houses adjourn on Friday, February 11th, it be to meet on the Wednesday following.

Passed Finally.

The following bill was passed finally: Relating to the registration of births and marriages in cities of the Commonwealth.

Committee of Conference.

The amendments of Mr. Strang as incorporated in House bill No. 14 (relating to the Sinking Fund of the Treasury) having been returned from the House with non-concurrence of the same, on motion of Mr. STRANG the Senate insisted on the amendments as passed by the Senate, and a committee of conference, consisting of Messrs. Strang, Warfel and Dill, was appointed.

Notary Public.

The Governor nominated Joseph White, of Pittsburgh, as Notary Public.

Adjourned until Monday evening at eight o'clock.

HOUSE.

The House met at 10 o'clock.

Riot Expenses.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Adjutant General, transmitting a detailed statement of the expenses incurred by the military in suppressing the mining difficulties in Luzerne, Carbon and Schuylkill counties last summer.

Dividing Boroughs into Wards.

The bill entitled "An act to prescribe the manner by which courts may divide boroughs into wards," approved May 14, 1874, was called up on second reading and passed.

Petitions.

A large number of petitions were presented and properly referred, among which was one presented by Thos. D. Corum, presenting serious charges against the management of the affairs of the House of Refuge at Philadelphia, which was read.

Mr. GENTNER offered a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of seven to investigate the charges made against the House of Refuge at Philadelphia. Agreed to. Messrs. Gentner, Pallatt, Conrad, Piper, Yeakel, Rice and Quirk were appointed a committee to investigate the same.

Hour of Meeting.

Mr. REIGHARD called up his resolution providing that hereafter, until otherwise ordered, the hour of meeting of the House shall be ten o'clock A. M., except on Mondays.

The resolution was agreed to.

Texas Pacific Railroad.

Mr. LUSK presented a concurrent resolution, with a lengthy preamble, asking Congress to aid the Texas Pacific Railroad. Referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Adjournment.

Mr. SALTER offered a concurrent resolution, which was agreed to, that when the Legislature adjourns on Friday, February 11, it adjourns to meet at half past seven o'clock on Wednesday, the 16th of February.

An Office for Backalew.

Mr. FAUNCE offered a resolution authorizing the House to name a person to serve as Trustee of the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art for a period of two years. Agreed to.

The Chair appointed Hon. Charles R. Buckalew.

Reports from Committees.

A number of reports from committees were made, among them the following affirmatively:

Authorizing the appointment of inspectors of petroleum oil, and regulating the sale of refined petroleum by providing that the sale be at the rate of six and a half pounds to the gallon.

Also protecting children in acquiring useful trades.

Also authorizing appeals in cases of summary conviction.

Also a supplement to the conspiracy act of 1872. Negative recommendation.

Authorizing electors to vote for all candidates on one slip.

Declaring a waiver of exemption to be void.

Creating a new class for liquor licenses, where the sales do not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars as a sixth class, to pay twenty-five dollars license.

By Mr. CHRISTY, an act to prevent Justices of the Peace from acting as attorneys, with a negative recommendation.

Also, a supplementary act relating to liens of mechanics. Affirmatively with amendments.

The Finance Bill.

The Senate amendments to the House bill entitled "An act supplementary to several acts relating to the State Treasury and Commissioners of the Sinking Fund," approved May 9th, 1874, amending the eleventh section thereof so as to assign part of the revenue derived from the tax on capital stock of all corporations of the Commonwealth to the Sinking Fund and part thereof to the General Fund, were read and non-concurred in—yeas 86, nays 61—less than a constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative.

The House appointed a committee of conference, consisting of Messrs. Talley, Stotzer and Miner.

Bills Read in Place.

By Mr. ZERN, an act relative to the election of Select Councils in cities of the second class.

The above act is intended to reduce the number of Select Councilmen of the city of Pittsburgh to about one-half the present number.

By Mr. WENDT, an act to validate the title to certain lands of Mary L. Reno, of Beaver county.

An act to reimburse the authorities of S Vincent's College, Westmoreland county, fo the maintenance and education of certa soldiers' orphans, appropriating money for said purpose.

An act requiring that bonds be given for all State contracts.

An act making an appropriation for repairs, books and stationery for the Western Penitentiary.

By Mr. SPANG, a supplementary act consolidating the laws relating to game and game fish.

An act to amend the 17th section of the act of 1873, which allows the washing of coal preparatory to its use for cooking or burning in furnaces, &c., provided a tank or other suitable receptacle is provided in which the culm, or coal dirt, may be collected so as to prevent the same from passing into the rivers or streams of the Commonwealth.

The House adjourned until 7½ o'clock next Monday evening.

The Conference Committee

of the Senate and House in relation to the Sinking Fund will meet on Monday afternoon next, and will no doubt finally agree upon a bill which will pass both Houses on Monday evening next. K.

FORTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

(FIRST SESSION.)

WASHINGTON, February 4, 1876.

SENATE.

Free Entry of Household Effects.

Mr. SHERMAN introduced a bill to limit the value of household effects entitled to free entry. Referred, with a letter he presented from the Secretary of the Treasury upon the same subject.

The Louisiana Senatorial Contest.

After the expiration of the morning hour the Senate resumed the consideration of the resolution for the admission of P. B. S. Pinchback as Senator for Louisiana, for a term of six years, commencing on March 4, 1873, the pending question being on the amendment of Mr. Edmunds, to insert the word "not," so that it will read, "P. B. S. Pinchback be not admitted," etc.

Mr. MORTON addressed the Senate at length in favor of the admission of Mr. Pinchback, but without action adjourned till Monday.

HOUSE.

Private Calendar.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on the private calendar, Mr. Holman in the chair, and a number of bills of a private nature were passed.

The bill to pay the interest on 3.65 bonds of the District of Columbia, with the Senate amendments, was referred to the District Committee.

The House then adjourned till Monday.

BILL NO. 6.

What Representative Long Has to Say About It—A Few of Its Leading Features.

Yesterday afternoon a representative of the GAZETTE happened to meet Representative Long, just fresh from the Capital. The scribe at once took the opportunity to interview him upon Bill Nc. 6, a subject which is just now looked upon with considerable interest in Allegheny, and gleaned from him the following statement of the case. The subject being introduced, Mr. Long said:

The bill is not intended nor will it in any way promote special legislation. On the contrary, it will tend to prevent it.

Why is this?

The bill, when completed, will authorize Councils of the third, fourth and fifth classes to adopt such general provisions of the Wallace act as may not conflict with the charters and present laws, thus obviating the necessity for special laws.

What is the present system?

Any city of the third class that wants an act passed, presents it to the Legislature, and if it interferes with laws now in force in other cities of the same class, a special provision must be inserted to exempt such a city. This is special legislation of the plainest sort, and is of doubtful constitutionality. There is no other way of avoiding the application of unsuitable laws under the present classification, unless the Legislature refuses to pass any law applying to cities of the third class.

Does the Constitution prohibit classification of cities?

No; on the contrary, it recognizes the principle, as it classifies the counties of the State.

Why is this?

For the plainest and best of reasons. Would it be right in fixing the salaries of county officers to give to the Sheriff of Forest county, who gives say $10,000 bail, the same salary as the Sheriff of this county or of Philadelphia, with vastly greater responsibility, greater work, and of whom is required bonds running up into the hundreds of thousands?

Could it not be effected in some other way?

The Constitutional Convention did not think so, as it classified the counties, and a bill is now pending at Harrisburg fixing the salaries of all counties with a population over one hundred and fifty thousand. It might be arranged by naming the counties and specifying these matters separately for each county. But this would only be a special law after all for each county.

Well, what will be done with the bill dividing cities?

I think it will have to be passed, and soon too, in order to avoid great confusion in legislation. For instance, the Senate has passed a bill, authorizing all cities of the third class to elect a Controller and Treasurer for two years. In Allegheny these officers are by provision of the charter elected annually by the Councils. This is only a sample of the confusion which the present classification will lead to. How does the bill stand now?

It has been referred to a committee consisting of one member from every city in the State of the third class, and this committee is at work perfecting the bill, and is unanimous in favor of its adoption as a necessity. Who are members of this committee?

It is composed of some of the best talent of the House, all prominent members, and men who think they understand the subject. Mr. Reighard, of Lycoming, Mr. Gunster, of Scranton, Mr. Brown, of Corry, Mr. Henry, of Erie, Mr. Richardson, of Montgomery, Mr. Talley, of Chester, and others whom I cannot recall at present. I am Chairman of the committee and represent Allegheny on it. I feel that my experience in municipal affairs in Allegheny enables me to know something of the wants of our people, and I am sorry our friends did not hold their meeting on some evening when our delegation could have been present, and at least explained the purposes of the bill, and the motives of its authors. The bill, if it shall pass as the Committee reports it, will remove all occasion for special legislation, as it will confer full and complete authority upon Councils to adopt any needed portions of the general law for the government of cities.

Is it the intention through this law in any way to revise bill twenty-four?

No sir; that would be impossible; that was a general bill applying to all cities.

Does your bill place Allegheny in a class by herself?

It does, because the small cities all want to be disconnected from the large ones; because the legislation required for such cities would be too cumbrous and expensive for the smaller ones.

Could such a classification not be made which would place Allegheny in a class with others?

Certainly; that idea was thoroughly canvassed. Scranton and perhaps one or two other cities, could be classed along with our city if thought advisable by our people, but that could not help matters any.

How will the new system work?

Well, when a bill is read in place for cities of the third class—and no other—everybody would know just what that meant under the new classification and whom it affected. It would then be brought to the notice of Councils and all citizens. If such a bill was thought to be unnecessary, upon remonstrance it could be withdrawn. But now, a bill applying to this class, while it may not be wanted by one city of that class—may be insisted on by all others of the same class—might be passed, and forced upon an unwilling people.

Can bill No. 6 be withdrawn?

No, sir, not now. It is in the hands of the special committee, and will be reported some day next week, affirmatively or negatively. If the former it will be printed and copies will be distributed and published, and everybody can then know what the bill is. Until then no one can know what the bill provides, and an intelligent opinion upon its merits cannot be formed. If, after our people read the bill and know its contents, they still prefer the present system, it will not receive my support, nor that of any of our delegation, perhaps. But would it not be proper to await the report of the committee now working upon it?

How do you think the bill will work?

I give it as my deliberate opinion that if the bill passes there will be absolutely no necessity for any special enactments for any city in the State of the third class as at present classified.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative Pellets are so compounded from concentrated principles, extracted from roots and herbs, as to combine in each small granule, *scarcely larger than a mustard seed*, as much cathartic power as is contained in any larger pills for sale in drug stores. They are not only pleasant to take, but their operation is easy—unattended with any griping pain. They operate without producing any constitutional disturbance. Unlike other cathartics, they do not render the bowels costive after operation, but, on the contrary, they establish a permanently healthy action. *Being entirely vegetable* no particular care is required while using them.

$500 *Reward* is offered by the proprietor to any one who will detect in these Pellets any calomel or other form of mercury, mineral poison, or injurious drugs.

They are sold by druggists.

Boreas Versus Overcoats.

A fig-leaf dress would be but a poor protection against winter's surly blasts, while the overcoats made to order by B. Tiegel, No. 53 Smithfield street, defy the piercing winds and biting blasts. Order one. They are good and cheap. Tiegel wants to run out his overcoating material. Go soon and secure one at your own figures.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Brief Notes of Matters Personal and Otherwise.

A REVIVAL WAVE seems to be sweeping through the churches.

REV. WM. CODVILLE, of Altoona, has received a call to the McKeesport Baptist Church.

A REVIVAL in the Bridgewater M. E. Church, Rev. A. B. Castle pastor, is still in progress.

PREACHING to-morrow morning only in the Second U. P. Church, Sixth avenue, by Rev. D. R. Kerr, D. D.

THE meeting of W. C. T. U. will be held as usual in the Alliance rooms at three o'clock Sabbath afternoon.

REV. J. D. IRONS will preach to-morrow at 10½ A. M. in the Seventh United Presbyterian Church, Forty-fourth street.

THE noon-meeting at Y. M. C. A. rooms will be led to-day by Mr. W. Watts. Subject: "David Sparing Saul."

REV. W. J. HOLLAND will preach in the Bellefield Presbyterian Church to-morrow night on "Unconscious Influence."

MISS SARAH SMILEY, the Evangelist, who made such a fine impression in our city, is now engaged in a series of meetings in Cleveland.

SPECIAL services have been held in the North avenue M. E. church, Allegheny, every evening this week, and the interest still keeps up.

ENCOURAGING meetings are in progress in the Presbyterian church of Sharon, Presbytery of Pittsburgh, of which Dr. S. C. Jennings is pastor.

EIGHTEEN Presbyteries have voted in favor of Synodical Representation and fifteen against. Amongst the latter is the Presbytery of Pittsburgh.

THE revival in the M. E. Church at Monongahela City, Rev. T. N. Boyle pastor, has just closed. There were two hundred and ten converts reported.

THE University of Lewisburg has requested Rev. Dr. Pearson to prepare a special discourse on "Baptists and the Centennial" for commencement week.

ON to-morrow evening at 7:30 o'clock a sermon will be preached by Rev. J. W. Sproull in the Central Reformed Presbyterian Church of Allegheny.

REV. JOHN SCOTT, D. D., pastor of the First Methodist Church, Allegheny, has been unable for sometime to attend to his pastoral duties on account of sickness.

REV. R. W. PEARSON, D. D., will preach and baptize to-morrow morning and evening in the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church. Communion after morning sermon.

IT IS estimated that the circulation of the Sunday school periodicals of the Presbyterian Board of Publication has increased two hundred per cent. within the past four years.

THE Sunday school teachers of Brooklyn, N. Y., have requested Dr. J. H. Vincent to publish in book form the Normal Class Lectures recently delivered by him in that city.

REV. P. QUILTER, formerly assistant pastor of St. Peter's Church, Allegheny, has been transferred to St. Patrick's Church, Sugar Creek, which includes the Mission at Millerstown.

REV. F. L. SENOUR is preaching every Sabbath morning in the Central Presbyterian church, Smithfield street, above Sixth avenue, and in the afternoon in the Seventh church, Herron avenue.

REV. MESSRS. WESTFALL, Crowther and T. F. Scott have been appointed fraternal messengers from the Pittsburgh Methodist Conference to the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

THE Rev. Dr. Jacobus, of the Western Theological Seminary, will preach in the Third Presbyterian church, Sixth avenue, tomorrow morning, and Rev. Dr. Lowrie, of the Seminary, in the evening.

THE pulpit of the First Methodist (non-Episcopal) Church, of Allegheny, will be occupied on Sunday morning at 10½ o'clock by Rev. Mr. Dermit, and in the evening at 7 o'clock by the Rev. W. R. Cowl.

A REMARKABLE revival prevails in the Grace M. E. church, Harrisburg of which Rev. Dr. C. A. Holmes, formerly of this city, is pastor. The accessions thus far have numbered about one hundred and fifty.

THE Rev. G. A. Moffat, of East Birmingham Baptist church, South Side, preaches tomorrow morning on "The Unmistakable Evidence of Conversion," and in the evening on "The Christian's duty to his Neighbor."

PITTSBURGH is well provided with religious institutions. The Presbyterians have forty-four churches, the Methodists thirty-eight, the Episcopalians twenty-nine, and the Baptist ten, in Pittsburgh and Allegheny.

YOUNG MEN and families without a church home in the city will be heartily welcomed to free seats in the Central Presbyterian church, on Smithfield street, one door above Sixth street. Services every Sabbath at 10½ A. M.

PROF. J. R. W. SLOANE, D. D., of the R. P. Theological Seminary, will preach to-morrow morning at 10½ o'clock and at 2½ P. M. in the Reformed Presbyterian Church, corner Sandusky and North Diamond streets, Allegheny.

THE revival in the Cherry Tree Methodist Church, S. F. Crowther, pastor, has resulted in forty accessions thus far. And the end is not yet. The communion last Sabbath evening was the largest it is thought that has yet been held there.

REV. G. T. REYNOLDS, of Donegal, Westmoreland county, passed through the city this week, stopping only long enough to exchange greetings with a few friends. He is on a short vacation visiting the old homestead, Uniontown.

THIS evening at 7:45 o'clock a meeting for "Instruction in Christian work" will be held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, to which all workers are invited. Subjects to be taken up are: "How to Conduct an Inquiry Meeting," and "How to Talk to Inquirers."

A GOSPEL meeting, under the auspices of the Woman's Temperance Alliance, will be held in the Alliance rooms to-morrow evening at 7:30 P. M. The exercises will be led by Miss L. A. Haller, noted for her ability on the platform and also as a vocalist.

THE interest continues in the First Presbyterian church of this city. The meetings during last week were well attended, and there were many inquirers. Rev. R. H. Allen, D. D., of Philadelphia, preached in this church every evening during the week thus far.

THE regular meeting of the Evangelical Ministerial Association of Pittsburgh, Allegheny and vicinity, will be held in the Lecture Room of the First Presbyterian Church, Wood street, Pittsburgh, on Monday, February 7th, 1876, at 2 P. M. Subject, "The Bible in the Public Schools."

CONSIDERABLE INTEREST is felt in the approaching session of the Pittsburgh Annual Conference of the M. E. church. Delegates to the General Conference are to be chosen, and other matters of special interest disposed of. It will be held at Canton, O., and Rev. Bishop Merrill will preside.

REV. DR. HODGE preached with great power in the Presbyterian church of this place, on Sabbath last. In the evening he delivered to a crowded and densely-packed congregation a powerful and exhaustive argument in favor of the observance and perpetuation of the Christian Sabbath.—*Beaver Times.*

REV. E. R. JONES, of the Pittsburgh Conference, but now attending Drew Seminary, writes: "I have just closed a protracted meeting at Whippany, N. J., which resulted in about sixty conversions and over fifty accessions to the church. The meeting was held during the vacation at the Seminary."

A revival meeting is in progress at Kramer chapel, Steubenville, Ohio, Rev. J. R. Mills, formerly of this city, pastor. Services have been held twice daily since the week of prayer, and the spacious lecture room is each evening crowded to its utmost capacity. From twenty to thirty-five are nightly at the altar of prayer and conversions are numerous.

THE congregation of the First Methodist (non-Episcopal) Church, on Fifth avenue, this city, at a called, meeting after the morning services last Sabbath, voted to recall Rev. Dr. J. J. Murray, of the Maryland Methodist Protestant Conference, for the fourth year to this charge. The vote was unanimous—a worthy compliment to the efficiency of this much loved pastor.

THE catalogue of the Western Theological Seminary, in Allegheny, for 1875-6, gives the following summary. Senior Class 22, Middle Class 29, Junior Class 34—total 85. These students are from nine States, although Pennsylvania supplies sixty-one of them, and twenty-six literary institutions; Washington and Jefferson sending twenty-one, Westminster nine, and Wooster University seven.

THE Rev. N. Woodside, of Brooklyn, New York, will preach to-morrow (Sabbath) evening, services commencing at 7:30 P. M., in the First R. P. church, corner of Sandusky and South Diamond streets, Allegheny. A special collection will be taken up in aid of the Manse building fund of Rev. N. Woodside's church, Brooklin. The pastor, Rev. S. Young, will preach in the morning at 10:30.

SUPPOSE you have only a few moments every day to read the Bible. One of the holiest men ever known never read more than five or ten verses at once. Every verse had so broad and many-sided signification, that a few words gave him as much mental food as he could bear at one time. Throughout the day they were upon him in all their various applications and shades of meaning, as circumstances placed him in one position and now in another.

DO NOT let the young converts freeze out as soon as the heat of your protracted effort is over. They have much to learn, and you older Christians are to be their teachers. Do not forget that they are but babes in Christ, and must be tenderly dealt with. Your example is doing much to form their religious character. Give them a kind word,—not just about their health, or the weather, but about their souls. They will be greatly tempted to return to the world when the first glow of love is gone. Instruct them in the way and encourage them.—*Methodist Recorder.*

CALLING in at Riverside Cottage, on Mrs. Talbot, a centenarian, known by everybody hereabouts, and who can remember Lafayette, Webster, Clay, and all the other notables who used to travel over the National Pike, we found her reading her Bible and seemingly very well contented. Observing a glance at the book she was reading, she said—"Oh yes, this is my Bible, for I am growing old, and my time will soon come to leave this country, and so I am busy *packing* up to go. I want to be 'packed up' and ready when the time comes to move." And then patting her book affectionately, she continued, with that sly humor so characteristic of her whole life —"Yes, this is my insurance policy, a sort of *life* insurance, you know, and a *fire* insurance, too, for that matter."—*Monongahela Republican.*

PITTSBURGH VITAL STATISTICS.

Interesting Synopsis of Registrar Snively's Annual Report—The Decrease in Births, Marriages and Deaths—Record of Infectious Diseases—Small-pox.

From the annual report of Dr. W. Snively Registrar of the Board of Health, we take the following synopsis of its principal points. The information it contains relative to the vital statistics of this city is both interesting and instructive.

During the past three years the mean rate of mortality of the city has been steadily diminished. The death rate, which for 1873 was 24.46, was reduced in 1874 to 24.68, and in 1875 to 21.12 per 1,000 inhabitants. A corresponding reduction has also occurred in the birth rate. Thus the rate for 1873 was 38.91, that for 1874 was 37.11, and that for 1875 was 34.20 per 1,000 inhabitants. A still greater reduction is noticed in the marriage rate. For 1873 the mean rate was 26.89. For 1874 it was 23.38, and for 1875 16.91, per 1,000 inhabitants. (Note—The returns of births and marriages for the last quarter of 1875, have not yet all been received, but the total result will not materially increase these figures.) The annexed statement exhibits the number of births, marriages and deaths for the past three years.

Years.	*Births.*	*Marriages.*	*Deaths.*
1873	5,175	1,782	3,519
1874	5,084	1,533	3,381
1875	4,788	1,184	2,957

NO EPIDEMICS.

The citizens of Pittsburgh have reason to feel grateful that, in addition to the financial distress of the past year, they have not been compelled to bear the burden of excessive sickness. No disease has prevailed epidemically. This is the more fortunate in view of the fact that it is during periods of financial distress that infectious diseases are more apt to prevail, because of the invasion of the city by "tramps" and greater concentration of the indigent class in cheaper and less healthy tenements. The annexed table exhibits the aggregate deaths in each of the great classes of disease, and presents an easy comparison of year with year:

Deaths from	1873.	1874.	1875.
General diseases (A).....	952	986	770
General diseases (B).....	461	525	500
Diseases, nervous system....	475	393	316
Diseases, circulatory system	109	106	102
Diseases, respiratory system	432	498	429
Diseases, digestive system..	316	282	358
Diseases, urinary system....	48	30	33
Diseases, generative system	59	32	27
Diseases and conditions unclassified.....	397	245	190
Violent causes.....	194	218	198
Unknown causes.....	76	46	34
Total.....	3,519	3,381	2,957

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

The following table exhibits the number of deaths caused during the year by the several diseases comprised in class A, as compared with the previous year, and also with the average for the years 1872-3. These diseases being preventable claim the special attention of the Board of Health:

Diseases.	*Average for three years.* 1871-2-3	1874.	1875.
Chicken-pox.....		1	
Small-pox.....	201		29
Measles.....	32	70	15
Scarlet fever.....	91	313	208
Typhoid fever.....	154	149	120
Typho-malarial fever.....			1
Cerebro-spinal fever.....	57	18	20
Typhus fever.....	4		
Remittent fever.....	7	6	6
Intermittent fever.....	1		2
Diphtheria.....	50	53	64
Whooping cough.....	40	79	54
Influenza.....			1
Simple cholera.....	9	30	12
Cholera Diarrhea.....	202	241	208
Erysipelas.....	16	16	15
Puerperal fever.....	8	13	13
Pyemia.....	8	7	2
Total.....	880	996	770
Per centage of total mortality.....	24.53	29.46	26.04

A GRATIFYING EXHIBIT.

As compared with former years the above exhibit is a gratifying one, and the public health department may feel a just pride in this heavy reduction in the mortality from preventable causes. The mortality is, however, still too high, for it will be noticed that more than one-fourth of the total number of deaths was due to infectious diseases. Small-pox, diptheria and the malarial fevers, exhibit a moderate increase, as compared with the previous year, while measles, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, whooping cough, simple cholera and choleraic diarrhœa show a heavy decrease. The highest percentage of the total mortality (29.91) occurred in the Fifteenth ward. Of the sixty-six deaths occurring in this ward during the year, twenty-seven were from preventable diseases—principally scarlet fever. The Sixteenth ward exhibits the next highest percentage (29.18.) Of the one hundred and forty-three deaths reported from this ward fifty-six were from preventable diseases.

SMALL-POX.

During the intensely cold weather, which, commencing December 29, 1874, continued through January and February, 1875, the city was overrun with tramps. The "Young Mens' Home" and the police station houses throughout the city afforded nightly shelter to crowds of these unfortunates, who obtained subsistence by roaming the streets and begging from door to door during the day. No more effective method could possibly be devised for the introduction and thorough dissemination throughout the city of small-pox and other infectious diseases, and in this way small-pox was introduced into the city during the winter of 1874-5. The epidemic of 1871-2 had spent its force, and the disease had entirely disappeared by the middle of May, 1873. No deaths from this cause had occurred, and no case had been reported to the city for eighteen months previous to December 28, 1874. On this date the initial case occurred in the person of a "tramp" from the West, who was stopping at the Young Mens' Home." The case was promptly reported to the Health Department and he was conveyed to the Mercy Hospital, which admitted him reluctantly, and very properly, under protest. The said reluctance of the admission to this institution were soon made apparent. The patient died January 10th. On January 14th two cases of small-pox and one of varioloid were reported from this hospital. One of these cases, a female, aged 20 years, died January 22. On January 26th another case was reported from this hospital. The disease continued to grow slowly until December last, when twenty-seven cases of small-pox and nineteen of varioloid were reported, a majority of the cases being children. Of this number seven were sent to the hospital.

TABULAR HOSPITAL STATEMENT.

The accompanying tabular statement furnishes an exhibit of the operations of the hospital during the period of nine and one-half months. It was opened for the reception of patients March 18.

	NO. CASES ADMITTED.						
	Small-pox.	Varioloid.	Total.	Died.	Discharged.	Remaining.	
March.....	7	2	9	3	6		
April.....	10	7	17	1	8	12	
May.....	3	3	6	2	11	5	
June.....	2	1	3	...	5	3	
July.....	1	...	1	...	3	1	
August.....	1	...	1	1	1	...	
September.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	
October.....	...	1	1	...	1	...	
November..	1	...	1	...	...	1	
December..	7	...	7	1	2	4	
Total.....	32	14	46	9	38	4	

Of the remaining 62 cases of small-pox and 20 of varioloid occurring in the city,

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PETROLEUM at ANTWERP 33¼f.

BONDS at Frankfort, new 5s, 101⅜.

GOLD closed in New York yesterday at 112¾.

ON one page of Thursday's issue of a New York journal, reference is made, at length, to ten murders,—some of them of the most horrible character.

PINCHBACK'S case has at last been taken up in the Senate, and Senator MORTON sustained his claim in a forcible speech. It is probable that he will be admitted.

IT is stated that the war between the rival street railways, in Philadelphia, is ended, and that the contest over the confirmation of Attorney General LEAR has been abandoned.

THE tariff bill, reported by MORRISON, is not likely to pass, even the House, at Washington. It is found that it is impracticable and that if passed it will hurt the Democracy not a little. So it will be quietly killed.

OUR Reform School investigation is attracting unusual attention at Harrisburg, and the feeling is favorable to a thorough sifting of the affair. We are glad to notice that most of the managers remain away from the investigation, a course that is very commendable, under the circumstances. There is also a disposition shown to have the Institution pass entirely under the control of the State.

IT is given out the Senator DAVIS, of Philadelphia, is to be put up for Congress in place of Judge KELLY, in the Fifth District. We have no great admiration for Judge KELLY, but DAVIS is not the man to succeed him. KELLY has ability, but his unbounded egotism is what spoils him. DAVIS has a fair amount of egotism, but lacks the ability of KELLY. So the affair goes. Whether the Judge will tamely submit to be counted out is a question.

THE value of newspaper property in New York is illustrated by the recent purchase of ten shares of the New York *Times* at $15,000 a share,—or $150,000 for one-tenth of the stock. Yet the dividends accounted for show that the profits, for five years past, have averaged only 3½ per cent. This is partially explained, it is said, by the loss of $40,000 on account of the large expenditures in the BEECHER trial, which did not return as much as was expected. The New York newspaper property is both costly and precarious.

IT is entirely unlikely that any change will be made in the Presidential issue, so far as any Constitutional change in the tenure of the office is concerned. The debate had in the House showed such a diversity of opinion on the subject, that the bill making a single term of six years was referred back to the Judiciary Committee, where it will rest, perhaps forever. The propensity to amend the Constitution displays itself in many individual instances, but not much encouragement is given to these enterprises either in the Senate or House.

THE letter of General SHERMAN, if genuine, puts at rest all hopes of using him as a Presidential candidate. This is a grievance, chiefly to the Democracy, who had quietly determined, in the event of the Republicans nominating a man that could not be beaten by an ordinary politician, to nominate him as their candidate. This has been suddenly exploded, by the letter from SHERMAN nominating HAYES, of Ohio. Evidently the General partakes of the idea that GRANT entertained that the office of General of the army is better, with its life tenure than that of President, with its uncertainties. And the action of the Democrats in the House, in singling out him and SHERIDAN, to reduce their salaries $3,000 each, while Major Generals, in which list are a few Democrats, are left entirely untouched, will not go far toward mollifying him. It may be set down that SHERMAN, this time, is on the Republican side.

WE HAVE rarely seen a more transparent piece of petty spite than that of the Democrats in the House seeking to reduce SHERMAN'S and SHERIDAN'S salaries $3,000 each, while the Major Generals go untouched. HANCOCK is a Major General, and a Democrat, which accounts for the milk in that cocoanut. We do not doubt that the salaries proposed for the two principal Generals are enough for them to live on, but the meanness of the blow consists in the fact that they did grand service during the war, and the very design of continuing their offices is to reward them for distinguished services. At their death their offices will lapse, hence it only amounts to the cost,—$6,000 a year, during the lifetime of the Generals. This, to a great nation, is not a very remarkable tribute to pay to men who rendered the country such distinguished services. But the Confederate element in the House hate, and would thus meanly strike them.

THE investigations into the diplomatic business, at Washington, seem to be amounting to something. The Consuls are now receiving attention. The most interesting revelations, thus far, are those of an ex-Consul named MURPHY, who was at one time Consul at Frankfort-on-the-Main. He was of the opinion that the salary of the Consul should not be regulated entirely by the amount of business which he had to do. For instance, Consuls at Liverpool, Paris and London receive, in addition to their salaries, perquisites, &c., which make their remuneration $10,000, $12,000, or $15,000, while those at Vienna and places in Turkey and Russia, having much less business, receive almost nothing except their salaries, which should, on this account, be increased. He also thinks that, in most cases, the salaries paid to our Consuls are sufficient, but in some special cases they are too small. In his opinion the Consular system of the United States is more expensive than that of other countries, because many of the European nations employ bankers or business men to attend to their consular business. In this way the representative of the house of Rothschilds, at Frankfort-on-the-Main, is Consul for Austria, and Baron ERLANGER, the banker who negotiated the Confederate States loan, attended to the consular business for Sweden and Norway. These bankers are willing to serve as Consul without salary, on account of certain advantages which they derive from their position. Mr. MURPHY believes that the same system might in many cases be adopted by the United States. The witness described at some length the manner in which Captain STEINBERGER, of Navigator Islands fame, and who was sent to Europe in 1872 as an Inspector of Consulates, performed his duty. Although Mr. MURPHY was not then in the office of Consul, STEINBERGER called upon him for such information as he could give. He said that STEINBERGER lived in magnificent style, his hotel expenses amounting to from twenty-five to thirty dollars a day. STEINBERGER must be a good diplomat, the way he has taken care of himself.

AMERICAN COTTONS ABROAD.

The sale of some kinds of American cotton goods in England has created quite a sensation in both countries. The idea, says the Philadelphia *Times*, expressed in the adage of "carrying coals to Newcastle" appeared to have been realized, and English manufacturers have witnessed, without much pleasure, the spectacle of American cotton fabrics imported and disposed of under the very shadow of their long-established and giant cotton mills. In order to fully understand this matter one of the cotton mills of Fall River sent an agent to England to look into the whole question. The agent has now returned, and reports that some sales were made and arrangements perfected by which goods are to be regularly shipped. These are going forward in such quantities that the home market will be materially reduced in a short time, and such a demand made upon the mills for spot goods as will keep them running up to their full working capacity. Some other classes of goods will also be benefited by the condition of the English markets at this time, and the whole cotton manufacturing interests of the United States should seek markets for their surplus production, which are now, and have heretofore been, occupied by Europeans. Of course the manufacturers of England will make extraordinary efforts to regain their hold upon the market. They have an abundance of capital, and will use it in all ways to gain their point. At present they maintain that the condition of affairs is only exceptional; that the manufacture of cotton goods in England is not equal to the demands of the markets they supply, and that new mills, with approved machinery, will enable them to regain their old place as makers and distributors of cotton goods. In the meantime, however, the cotton manufacturers of the United States have effected an entrance and lodgment in England, and also in some parts of India and the west coast of South America, and are controlling the markets for spot and low-priced cotton goods. This advantage should be cultivated to the uttermost point consistent with a due regard for a firm and healthy state of business. While the present demand continues, while the markets, even in England, are open in a favorable manner to the goods of our mills, such steps should be taken as will tend to make the present advantages more certain and permanent in their character. We have the raw material within a few days' transportation of our manufacturing centres, we have machinery and workmen equal to the best in the world, and these advantages should enable us to keep what we have gained in England and the leading markets for cotton goods in the world. All that has been predicted in relation to the advent of American cotton goods into England may not be realized, but the matter is certainly surrounded with enough facts to give fresh hope and encouragement to the cotton interests of the United States.

REFORMATIVE AGENCIES.

Pending the investigation at the Reform School, but not as a criticism upon the management at that institution, it is entirely pertinent to expend a few remarks on the methods that may be regarded as essential in the development of reformative agencies among the young. The Reform School is at present conducted on the collective system,—the boys in their department, and the girls in theirs being in dormitories, in one building,—but all acting in concert in the several departments of daily duty. The new system, that will be put in practice at Morganza, embraces the home, or family plan,—dividing the inmates into communities, and probably classifying them, as to age, mental and moral qualities. The buildings are adapted to this, and no one doubts that the result will be advantageous. The rigid system, and excitement attending large aggregations of persons, wears on the mind, and this deteriorates health, and makes the children liable to nervous outbreaks, which, where there is a latent viciousness, takes a violent and disorderly form. We believe this recognized law has much to do with the reported ill-health, violent outbreaks, and lack of reform at the Reform School. It is noticed at Vassar College, that young ladies of good families and the best moral training fall into ill-health, through the strain on their nerves, caused by the excitement, and daily routine of the institution. Quiet, rest, and medical treatment are there resorted to as restoratives. At reformatory institutions, such laws are rarely taken into account, and when the nerves are disordered, the daily routine is still enforced, when lassitude and nervousness run into irritability and outbreaks, which are followed by punishment. We believe these simple, well ascertained facts will account for much of the trouble at the Reform School.

Insanity is regarded by the best physicians as a physical disease, to be treated as any other derangement of the system. It is, in a sense, a mental aberration, but it proceeds from physical causes. So certain vicious propensities are the result of physical causes, which are amenable to treatment by medicine and proper forms of exercise and surrounding influence. With some, vicious qualities are inborn, and they are not responsible for their propensities as are those who deliberately take on evil qualities, without the pressure of organic necessity. We judge that most of those sent to the Refuge for reformation are of the class referred to. With evil pre-dispositions, they did not receive the training their condition demanded, and, as a final resort, they were sent to the Refuge. We insist that in all such cases the first necessity is a benevolent, high-minded, conscientious, skillful physician, whose entire time shall be devoted to the inmates, and who shall have a corps of assistants capable of appreciating the character of the work to be done, and the tact and skill necessary to its proper performance. In place of this, the first idea seems to be that of teaching. Of the skill and capacity of the Principal, we know nothing; but we insist that the idea of having a person for Superintendent whose training has been that of a teacher only, is a radical mistake. The second error is that of the establishment of an iron rule of discipline—that of force rather than of moral suasion, with force as an ultimate alternative. Putting entirely aside all that is said of the treatment of children at the Reform School, this much is evident: That the use of physical punishment as a system prevailed, offences being graded, and each grade having its particular punishment. We say nothing here as to the lightness or severity of the punishment, but condemn, as a whole, a system which begins and ends in force, and has moral suasion as a mere incident.

It is utterly impossible, where a considerable number of children are aggregated, most of them of vicious tendencies, to *reform* them by brute force. This fact is so well recognized that it is unnecessary to argue it. A stubborn will can be curbed and broken by severe punishment, but evil propensions are more and different from the occasional stubbornness of the will. They involve qualities which the subject himself is often unable to govern, while the passion is upon him, although he may loathe himself for his weakness or sin all the while. Take the passion for drink, or that of sudden anger. How often do the victims bemoan their unfortunate besetment, and wish they were able to overcome it! It is something that can only be eradicated by the aid of a strong friend, and by the kindly, helping hand,—not by the exercise of brute force. Punishment of a violent character is, under such circumstances, a torment, but not a remedy; and while the child undergoing the torment may not clearly realize the philosophy of it, his instinct leads him to realize that he is being brutally outraged, not humanely and intelligently corrected, and the effect is to call into play anger and revenge,—not contrition and remorse.

It should be the first thought, in reorganizing the Reform School, to call in, as the head of the institution, a physician whose training and experience fit him to care for the children sent to the school, with a view to their ultimate reformation. He should have absolute control over the workshop, and on no account should contractors be allowed to punish the children, or indeed, to coerce them. We exceedingly doubt the good result of placing children under the control of contractors at all; but if this is done, let it be without any authority to whip or abuse them. The assistants, male or female, should be strictly controlled, also, in the matter of administering punishment,—this being, indeed, part of a well defined system, not dependent on the impulse or passion of any. With judicious care, under the system that can readily be developed at Morganza, there can be no doubt that the results reached will be in every particular gratifying. The plan is not new with us; it simply represents the best experience elsewhere. This ought to be utilized here; and if done, we venture that there will be no occasion for future complaint.

PERSONAL.

PRINCE LOUIS, of Baitenberg, Germany, was severely injured by a fall from his horse while pig sticking.

LORD ROSEBURY, the young Scotch peer who visited this country a short time ago, made $25,000 on the British turf last year.

LAFAYETTE'S grandson, Oscar de Lafayette, just elected a Senator of France, is a worthy heir to the name of his grandfather.

GAMBETTA passes now for the most moderate statesman in the French republic, so moderate that the Reds have almost concluded to desert him.

RALPH WALDO EMERSON has promised to deliver the next annual address at the Commencement of Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va.

CARDINAL LEDOCHOWSKI is in Berlin in quest of Prince Radzuville. He is completely unrestrained, except in the matter of interdiction from returning to his diocese.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY has resolved not to accept MAX MULLER'S resignation, but to appoint a deputy, and divide the salary equally between him and Muller, who will be allowed uninterruptedly to prosecute his studies of Indian literature.

JOE JEFFERSON writes from London to Mr. Fuller, the brilliant New York correspondent of the *Courier-Journal*, that as "Rip Van Winkle" seems to be started for a long run, he has taken to oil painting as an amusement. In water color painting, it appears, he has long been an accomplished artist.

ONE of the wealthiest of the Congressional novices is Piper, of San Francisco. He is said to own two hundred acres within the city limits—which would make him, probably, the heaviest real estate holder in San Francisco. Of pure Swedish stock, a carpenter by trade, he caught the California fever by reading a speech of Daniel Webster's, in which the god-like descanted on the future glories of San Francisco.

GENERALITIES.

Kind hearts are the gardens,
Kind thoughts are the roots,
Kind words are the blossoms,
Kind deeds are the fruits.
Love is the sunshine,
That warms into life;
For only in darkness
Grow hatred and strife.

THE report of the engagement of Princess Beatrice with Prince Louis is unfounded.

MICHIGAN pays its Governor only $1,000 a year. No poor man ever runs for that office.

IN the Oregan Mountains the snow is five feet deep, while in the valleys the grass and wheat are green.

THE late Mr. Ralston' residence near San Francisco is now occupied by Budd Doble, the horse trainer.

AT St. John, N. B., John O'Neil killed his mother-in-law and father-in-law, they having persuaded his wife to leave him.

THE Realto paper mills at Port Union, Butler county, Ohio, were burned on Friday morning. The loss is said to be $250,000.

THE International Board of Lake Underwriters has concluded its annual session at Buffalo. The tariff of 1874 was repealed. A new tariff was adopted.

KANSAS has 879,692 acres of school lands yet unsold, not including the land in six counties which have made no returns. It is valued at five million dollars.

PHILIP GILBERT HAMERTON says the French peasantry are intelligent and ignorant. What they know they know, and what they don't know they can guess at.

NORRISTOWN *Herald*: A fashionable young lady was heard to remark the other day that she hadn't got anything new this Winter, and didn't expect to get much "until after father fails."

PROUDHON, the leading writer of the modern French socialistic school, says: "My real masters, those who have caused fertile ideas to spring up in my mind, are three in number. First, the Bible; next, Adam Smith, and last Hegel."

THE steamship Palestine, from Boston to Liverpool, on the 19th of January reports that she experienced a fearful hurricane in longitude thirty degrees west, and lost her mainmast and foretop mast. Her decks were swept, the third and fourth officers disabled, and several of the crew injured.

PROF. RUDOLPH says that he has found out that the sun is a white, hot mass, 856,000 miles in diameter, having a surrounding ocean of burning gas 50,000 miles deep, with tongues of flame darting upward 50,000 miles, and volcanic forces that hurl luminous matter to the height of 160,000 miles.

THE girls at Vassar are to sweep the field at base ball, next summer. Their uniforms are said to be very pretty. The dress is short; that is, it clears the ground neatly, and generally is of gray, or some other neutral color. The jackets are blue, purple or red, and the caps jaunty little affairs, with the initals of the club in front.

THERE is health and vigor for both body and mind in an honest trade. It is the strongest and surest part of the self-made man. Go from the academy to the printing office, or to the artizan's bench, or, if you please, to the farm—for to be sure learning is a trade, and a good one at that. Lay thus a sure foundation, and after that, branch off into whatever profession you please.—*Horace Greeley.*

SOME significance is attached by many persons to a statement in the affidavit of ex-Postmaster Green, of Dayton, Ohio, who is on trial in Cincinnati before Judge Swing for the misappropriation of Government money, that Hon. Roberdeau Wheat will be there in April to testify in his (Green's) case. It is understood to mean that Green has positive information that Minister Schenck will be recalled by that time.

DURING the recent trial of Doyle, at Mauch Chunck, for murder, one of the prisoners now in jail there for being concerned in that murder, made a full confession of the murder of special police officer Yost, who was shot and killed at Tamaqua, on the night of July 6th, 1875. A reward of several thousand dollars was offered for the murderer by the town and county. The confession having implicated five men named Carroll, Duffy, Boyle, Roarity, and McGheu, these men were arrested near Tamaqua.

No Time for Anything.

The greatest difficulty in this country is that we have no time for anything. The very walk of an American suggests that he is in a hurry. An Englishman buttons his coat and gloves, and goes to business as deliberately as he goes to church. An American business man jumps after the car, struggling with his coat sleeves as he runs, plunges in headforemost, and plunges out at the end without regard to his neck. Chief among our accidents stand those which occur because people will jump upon flying trains and departing boats. To wait ten minutes is something not to be thought of.

Dinner is not eaten, it is swallowed whole; and when one comes to the dessert he finds that the fruit was picked before it was ripe. Everything is hurried through, from the building of a house to the curing of a ham. The women who work on sewing machines stop before they come to the end of the seam. The dressmaker sends home your dress with the basting threads in it, and no loops to hang it up by. There is none of the slow, sure completeness of the old world about anything, and even fortunes are made in a hurry and lost in the same way. If any man we know is getting rich by the slow and patient process of saving, be sure that he was not born upon this continent. Yet people live as long here as they do anywhere else, and the days are the same length. Why is it that we have no time for anything?

Tilden's Peculiarities.

Governor Tilden, of New York, is very absent-minded. The other night at a ball his awkward movement in the dance made him a conspicuous figure, and so annoyed his partner that she was more than scarlet during the dance. At the close the Governor, instead of conducting the lady to a seat, left her standing alone while he entertained a gentleman on the subject of canal reform. He concluded he would retire early, and was escorted to the outside by a political friend, who inquired if he had a carriage. He replied he had not. His escort called a carriage, and handed him three dollars, saying, "Governor, pay the driver when you get home." He was so absorbed he seemed to forget everything and put the money in his pocket and went on talking until the gentleman was obliged to cut short the conversation, and left the Governor talking to himself. The same gentleman, half an hour later, had occasion to conduct a lady to her carriage, when he found the driver and carriage he had called for the Governor still standing on the opposite side of the street. He asked if he had taken the Governor home. He was somewhat surprised to learn that his Excellency walked home with the three dollars in his pocket which he handed him.

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Go, scatter the grain while you may, my boy,
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OFFICIAL—PITTSBURGH.
CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, MUNICIPAL HALL, PITTSBURGH, Jan. 24, 1876.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the assessments for paving and curbing Craig street, from Fifth avenue to Forbes street, and Boardwalk on Orphan street from Larimer avenue to William street, are now ready for examination and correction and will remain at this office for ten (10) days when they will be returned to the City Treasurer for collection.
A. DEMPSTER, City Engineer.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the assessments made by the Viewers on the opening of Second avenue from Cross street to Railroad crossing, near Glenwood station, 23d ward, are now in my hands for collection, and if not paid within 30 days of the date hereof, liens will be filed against the property assessed for the unpaid assessments, with interest, cost and fees.
THOS. S. BIGELOW, City Attorney.
Pittsburgh, Jan. 17, 1876.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the assessments made by the Viewers on the damages by grade on Hazelwood avenue, are now in my hands for collection and if not paid within 30 days of the date hereof, liens will be filed against the property assessed for the unpaid assessments, with interest, cost and fees.
THOS. S. BIGELOW, City Attorney.
Pittsburgh, January 17, 1876.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.
OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER, CITY OF ALLEGHENY, Jan. 27, 1876.
NOTICE—THE ASSESSMENT FOR the construction of the Shields alley and Jefferson street Sewer, from Ledlie street to Mary Law's cast line. Also, Davis alley sewer from Irwin avenue westward 147 feet. Also, Arch street sewer from Ohio to North Diamond streets, are now ready for examination, and can be seen at this office until TUESDAY, February 8th, 1876, when they will be placed in the hands of the City Comptroller to serve notices for the payment of the same.
a48 CHARLES DAVIS, City Engineer.

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DAILY GAZETTE.

FINANCIAL.

Latest Advices Concerning Money and Stock Matters.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, SATURDAY, February 5, 1876.

There is a very decided sluggishness prevailing, so far as new business at banks is concerned. Old paper is renewed, where at all acceptable, but new business is not at all large. As usual on the opening of the month the settlements were larger than on the first. The counter business of the banks felt the impulse, and there was a more liberal employment of bank funds. This amounted to nothing more than a transfer of obligations from one bank to another, and added nothing to their aggregate discounts. The country is still an applicant for loans,—and this, though not large, has been and continues to be out of proportion to the city demand for discounts. The offerings of negotiable double-name paper are only moderate, but are sufficient to keep the available funds of the banks in comfortable employment. Discount lines are high relatively to deposits, and the surplus of loanable resources is not large. Accommodation is given only in exceptional cases to outside borrowers at most of the banks, but all have abundance of funds for the necessities of their own customers.

A bill introduced in the House by Mr. Wood, for the purpose of amending the Refunding act, was the subject of careful consideration by the Committee on Ways and Means on Thursday. The Secretary of the Treasury, who had been requested to give his opinion respecting the provisions of the proposed measure, replied that they generally met his approval. He is of opinion that should the time during which the 4½ per cent. bonds authorized by the several refunding acts have to run be extended to thirty years, he would have no trouble in negotiating in Europe the $300,000,000 of bonds bearing this rate of interest which still remain.

Mr. Wood himself thinks that should the life of these bonds be extended, large sums of money which accumulate in the form of trust funds in the cities of New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and elsewhere, and which are constantly seeking permanent and safe investment, would be converted into these bonds, and that in this way the proportion of our National debt held at home and by our own citizens would be greatly increased. In this respect the French people are much better off than we. Almost the entire debt created by the Franco-Prussian war and by the large indemnity which her Government had to pay to Germany, has been taken by her own citizens. The committee, although it did not finish discussion of the bill, will without doubt, at an early meeting, recommend its passage. The following is the text of the proposed act:

That in lieu of $300,000,000 of bonds, bearing interest at the rate of 4½ per centum, payable semi-annually, authorized by the act of July 14, 1870, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized, for the purpose of said refunding, to issue in a sum, or sums not exceeding in the aggregate $500,000,000, coupon or registered bonds of the United States, in such form as he may prescribe and of denominations of $50 or some multiple of that sum, redeemable in coin of the present standard value at the pleasure of the United States after thirty years from the date of their issue, and bearing interest payable quarterly in such coin at the rate of 4½ per centum per annum, which bonds and interest thereon shall be exempt from payment of all taxes or duties of the United States, as well as from taxation in any form by or under authority of any State, municipal, or local authority; and said bonds shall have set forth and expressed upon their face the above specified conditions, and shall, with their coupons, be made payable at the Treasury of the United States.

SEC. 2. That this act shall not be construed to authorize any increase of the total amount of bonds provided for by the acts to which this act is an amendment, nor to authorize any increase whatever of the bonded debt of the United States; and all provisions of acts to which this act is amendatory, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby continued in force and effect.

It is curious fact that some of the bonds issued under the funding acts had attached to them coupons for only ten years, and these are now held abroad. The Government is now obliged either to exchange these for new bonds, in which case they will have to be sent home, or treat them as registered bonds.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

The aspect of mercantile and manufacturing interests in the East does not improve, and this is particularly true of the dry goods trade. We note that the "Market Column" of the New York *Dry Goods Reporter* is largely devoted, every week now, to the effect of throwing the stocks of bankrupt concerns on the market. Another point we note in this connection is that in about two out of every three cases of bankruptcy the creditors claim that there has been either fraud or misrepresentation on the part of the bankrupts. In quite a number of cases the latter charge is made on the ground that bankrupts have all along represented their assets as being a great deal larger than they have turned out to be worth. But in the present state of things it is a pertinent question whether anybody's assets are worth as much as he imagines. The fact is that the value of all sorts of goods and property has depreciated so largely in the last year that there are thousands of merchants who imagine they are solvent but who would be bankrupt if they were obliged to put their property on the market and sell for enough *money* to pay all their debts at once.

Robinson Brothers, Bankers, No. 78 Fourth avenue, furnish the following quotations of bonds and stocks from the latest advices by telegraph:

Gold	112⅞	5-20's 1865—coupons	123
U.S.6's, 1881, coup	122⅝	10-40's, Reg.	116⅝
" 1864, all called	—	Currency 6's	124
" 1865, new	120⅝	New 5 per cents	117⅜
" 1865 now	119⅜	10-40's—coupons	119⅝
5-20's 1867	121⅝		

RAILWAYS.

N. Y. Cen.	111⅛	Ohio & Mississippi	21⅜
Erie	16⅜	Union Pacific	65¾
I. C.	97½	Toledo & Wabash	6
C. C. & I. C.	5½	Harlem	138½
St. Paul	41⅞	Adams Express	107½
Do. Pref	76½	American Express	58¾
Michigan Southern	68¼	U. S. Express	62
Do. Central	60⅜	W. Fargo & Co. Ex.	84⅜
North Western Com	61⅝	Quicksilver	24
Do. Pref	82⅝	Fort Wayne	100¾
Rock Island	108	Hannibal & St. Jos	20⅜
Clev. & Pitts	95	Panama	130
Pacific Mail	34⅜	Iron Mountain	20¼
Western Union Tel.	76¾		

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P. R. R. (S)	54⅞	Cen. Trans (B)	46⅜
Reading (S)	23⅜	Empire Dr. (S)	52
U. Cos. of N. J. (S)	138⅜	A. V. R. R. 7-30 (S)	97
Oil Creek (S)	15	P. C. & St. L. 7's (B)	80
Lehigh Valley (B)	61⅝		

NEW YORK, February 4, 1876.

Money 4a5; prime mercantile paper 4a6 1-2. The customs receipts were $260,000. The Assistant Treasurer disbursed $655,000. The clearings were $19,600,000. Sterling was steady at 486 1-2a489 1-2. Gold opened and closed at 112 7-8, with sales in the interim at 113. The carrying rates were 3a4. Governments were steady. Railroad bonds were generally active, and in some cases higher. State securities were steady, except Tennessees, which are lower. The stock market opened weak and declined, except for some of the Western shares, but subsequently became firm and advanced in the entire list. After meridian there was a return to weakness, and the lowest prices of the day were made. The chief activity was in Pacific Mail, Northwest, St. Paul, Lake Shore, Western Union and Ohios. The granger stocks were the firmest of the list. During the last hour the market recovered ⅛ to 1 per cent. from the lowest point, and closed active and feverish at a partial reaction. Pacific Mail, Ohios and Western Union were the weakest stocks on the list. Among the sales were 33,000 shares Pacific Mail, 62,000 Western Union, 12,000 Northwests, 16,000 St. Pauls, 42,000 Lake Shore, and 20,000 Ohios.

Governments.—U. S. coupons of 1881, 123⅜; 5-20s '65, 117⅜; do new, 119½; do of '67, 121⅛; do of '68, 123; new 5s, 117⅜; 10-40s, 116½; do coupons, 119½; currency sixes, 125.

State Bonds.—Tennessee, old, 45; do. new, 44⅜; Virginia new, 36; do old, 38; Missouri 6s, 102½.

Stocks.—Western Union Telegraph, 76½; Pacific Mail, 34⅜; Adams Express, 107; Fargo Express, 84½; American Express, 58⅜; United States Express, 63½; New York Central, 111½; Erie, 16⅜; do preferred, 35; Harlem, 135; do preferred, 134; Michigan Central, 69½; Union Pacific, 69⅝; Lake Shore, 66¾; Illinois Central, 97½; Pittsburgh, 95; Northwestern common, 41½; do preferred, 82½; Rock Island, 108; New Jersey Central, 108½; St. Paul, 41½; do preferred, 76½; Toledo & Wabash, 106; do preferred, 109; Fort Wayne, 100½; Terre Haute, 6½; do preferred, 21½; Chicago & Alton, 104; do preferred, 109; Ohio & Mississippi, 21½; Indiana Central, 5½; Hannibal & St. Joseph, 20½; Burlington & Quincy, 118½; Delaware & Lackawanna, 118½; Atlantic & Pacific Telegraph, 20½; Central Pacific, 105½; Union, 103½; Union land grant, 108½; Mariposa, 9; do preferred, 9½; Panama, 30; Missouri Pacific, 118½.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 4.—The discount on silver, now 3 to 5 per cent., causes much inconvenience. At a meeting of merchants yesterday, to discuss the question, a committee was appointed to report on Saturday. The general conviction is that the discount will increase unless some outlet can be found for the silver.

LONDON, February 4—5 P. M.—Consols: money 94 3-4; account, 94 5-16; 5-20s of 1865, 105½; do '67, 109½; 10-40s, 108; new 5s, 105½; New York Central, 102; Erie, 15½; do preferred, 32. The rate of discount in open market for three months bills is 3⅜ per cent., or ⅛ below the Bank of England rate. The amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance to-day is £61,000.

PARIS, February 4.—Rentes, 68f 45c.

FRANKFORT, February 4.—U. S. new 5s, 101⅛.

BERLIN, February 4.—The Imperial Bank of Germany has reduced its rate of discount to 4 per cent.

COMMERCIAL.

Condition of the Markets at Home and Abroad.

PITTSBURGH MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, February 4, 1876.

The weather is more favorable for outdoor business, and if it only holds out long enough to let the country roads get into better condition, trade will be considerably benefited thereby. Those country merchants who are not on the line of some railroad have been buying nothing they could dispense with in consequence of the great difficulty of having it transported to their place of business. The general markets present nothing particularly new or important.

APPLES—Sales—in a jobbing way—at $3, 36a3, 75 for prime to choice and $2, 50a3, 25 for fair to good.

APPLE BUTTER—45a50c ₱ gallon.

BUTTER—There is a fair demand for strictly choice table Butter, but other kinds, with which the market is overstocked, are very dull. Sales of choice at 28a30.

BEANS—The demand continues light; prices unchanged—prime navies, $1 20a1, 25 ₱ bush.

CHEESE—There is a very fair demand, and the general tone of the market for prime stock is firmer, without, however, any quotable change in prices; we continue to quote—in a jobbing way—prime Ohio Factory, 13¼a14c; ditto New York, 14a14½c.

DRESSED HOGS—8a8½c.

DRIED FRUIT—The demand continues light and the market easy, although prices are not quotably lower. Prime bright apples, sliced, 10a11c; quartered, 9a10c. Peaches, prime halves, 12a13c; peeled, 18 to 20c. Cherries, pitted, 23a27c; unpitted, 7a9c.

EGGS—The market is more active and firmer; sales of fresh at 17a18c. Some dealers seem disposed to hold in anticipation of higher prices within the next few days, and very likely their expectations will be realized, providing the weather does not moderate in the meantime.

FLOUR—Trade is reported quiet, and prices remain unchanged: Spring Wheat, $6, 60 to 6, 25 for Wisconsins and $6 25a6, 50 for Minnesotas; red winters, $6a7 for fair to choice; amber, $7, 00a7, 50; fancy white wheat brands $8a9. Rye Flour, $5, a5, 25.

GROCERIES—Trade continues tame, but it is hoped and expected that there will soon be an improvement. Orders from the country have been coming forward sparingly recently, which may be attributed in part to the bad condition of the country roads.

RICE.			
Carolina	7¾@8	Louisiana	6¾@ 7
SYRUPS.			
Choice	65 @68	Fair	45 @5
Prime	55 @60	Dark	43 @45
MOLASSES.			
N. O. choice	63	N. O. strictly prime	60
Fair	58	Demarara	50@55
SOAPS.			
Best Wax	7½	Babbitt's Best, per box	7 25
Superior Wax	6½	Do. do. Kosdian, per box	6 00
Wagan's Friend	5½		
Duchess, per box	2 50		
SUGARS.			
Cut Loaf	12	Standard B	10⅛
Crushed	11¾	Standard Ex C	10
Granulated	11	Refined Yellows	9¾@ 9¾
Powdered	11¼	N. O. new crop	8 @ 9
Standard A	10¾		

GRAIN—There has been little or no movement in Wheat for some time past, and while there is a firmer feeling west the market here continues quiet and unchanged; fair to prime Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana red $1, 25a1, 35—Michigan Amber cannot be laid down here under $1, 40a1, 42, and the mills here are unwilling to give quoted rates. The Oat market is steady with a limited supply, but prices remain unchanged; Pennsylvania and Ohio mixed sells; do white 42a44c. Ear Corn is a little scarce to-day, but prices are not quotably higher; 50a52c—on track and wharf—for good mixed to prime yellow. Shelled Corn is in good supply and easier but unchanged; 50a 53c on track. No movement in Rye or Barley.

HAY—Upland prairie—on track—is still quoted at $12a14; timothy, $17a19, according to quality and condition.

MILL FEED—Bran is scarce, and with some inquiry prices are higher—$15a16 ₱ ton—there is not much doing in other grades; the receipts recently have been light.

POTATOES—Receipts light but the supply is equal to the demand, and prices have undergone no quotable change—inquiry just now is for small lots, and prices may be quoted at 40a45c ₱ bushel out of store.

PROVISIONS—The movement in the hog product continues light, and the general tone of the market is firmer in consequence of the recent sharp advance in hogs, but there is more or less apprehension in regard to the future, hence operators generally are inclined to pursue a conservative policy.

Hams—Extra S. C. per lb	14¾	Do. half barrels	½
Do. Sugar Cured, S. C.	14¾	Lard, Ref. for sum	—
S'fast Bacon, S. C.	14¾	Do. in tierces	—
Drief Beef, Ex. Sugar Cured, old	14¾	Do. in ½ bbls	—
Beef Tongues, S. C. per doz	6.50	Do. in buckets	14¾
Bacon Shoulders	9¾	Do. in 5 lb pails	15¼
Rib Sides	—	Do. in 5 lb do	16¾
Short Rib do	13	Do. in 3 lb do	16¾
Clear Sides	13½	Ham Sausage	9
Family Mess	16	Carbon Oil	—
Family Mess Pork	21.00	Chees	14
Short Cut	21.00	Pig's Feet, in kegs	2.00
Lard, Prime Leaf in tierces, per lb	12½	Do. do. ½ bbls	4.50
		Do. do. bbls	9.00

ONIONS—$1a1.50 ₱ bbl. in a jobbing way.

POULTRY—Dressed Chickens, 12a13c ₱ lb; live do., 45a55c ₱ pair; dressed Turkeys, 14a15c.

RAGS—Steady at 3c ₱ lb for good country mixed.

TALLOW—Chandlers Tallow—city rendered, 9¾a 10c; country do., 8¾a9c.

SEEDS—Clover Seed is quotable at $5, 75a6 ₱ bush, and $2, 75a3 for timothy.

PITTSBURGH PETROLEUM MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, February 4, 1875.

The crude market was firmer but irregular to-day—United certificates, which were down to $2, 06 on Thursday, opened at $2, 13, advanced to $2, 16½a2, 17, and closed at about $2, 15; immediate shipment was quoted at $2, 32½a2, 35. Refined continues quiet and without material change—14¾ delivered in Philadelphia and 11¾c on cars here.

The Committee of Refiners who had an interview with President T. A. Scott last week, in regard to discriminations against Pittsburgh in the matter of transportation, have hopes that some action will be taken by the Penna. R. R. Co. to remedy the matter complained of.

Oil barrels continue quiet and unchanged; city make quoted at $1, 20; countries, $1, 15.

SHIPMENTS CRUDE OIL VIA, A. V. R. R.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Bbls.
G. M. Robinson	Empire o w	94

SHIPMENTS OF REFINED OIL EAST PER ALLEGHENY VALLEY RAILROAD.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Bbls.
Warden, Frew & Co	Fancher & Co	1,752
Citizens o w	J. D. Tilford	100
Total		1,852

FEBRUARY 3RD.

Citizens o w	J. S. Davis	106
W. P. Logan	Do.	100
Standard Oil Co	Warden F. & Co	52
Lockhart & Frew	Do.	91
Total		349

FEBRUARY 4TH.

Citizens o w	J. S. Davis	282
J. A. McKee	Do.	200
H. A. Stewart	Do.	100
Livingston Bros	Warden, F. & Co	100
Standard Oil Wks	Do.	90
Total		1,672

Important Decision.

The recent decision of the Supreme Court in the case of Lyon & Co. against Morrison & Blair is very far from being understood in one way by all parties dealing in produce. Some construe the decision to mean that any deal is a mere gambling transaction unless the party selling the property actually has it in hand at the time of selling it, and retains possession of it till he offers to deliver it. This, probably, is a long way from the meaning of the Court, but under this construction a firm yesterday refused to put up margins when called, and the trade may be considered off. If every sale for future delivery should be understood in this way, the commercial community would have to soon reduced to a deplorable condition. What the decision was intended to cover, was probably the point that damages cannot be collected unless actual delivery of the property has been tendered.—*Chicago Tribune.*

Wheat at Milwaukee.

The Milwaukee wheat market is understood to be in an unhealthy condition—even worse than our own. The large stocks of wheat in that city are owned almost entirely by western men, and the quality is none too good. The corner excitement induced country holders to rush wheat forward as fast as possible, and the consequence was that a good deal of wheat was sent there which under ordinary circumstances would have remained on the farm till spring, and cured out before being forwarded to market. Parties who ought to be well informed in the matter say that the condition is below the average, and that grave apprehensions in regard to the keeping quality of several lots are entertained by the trade.—*Chicago Tribune.*

Chicago Seed Market.

A quiet and dull feeling again prevailed in this market, the inquiry and offerings being light. Prices were weak and a shade lower for timothy, but no particular alteration was noticeable for the other descriptions. Timothy sold at $2.27½ for good, and $2.30a 2.35 for prime to a very high grade of prime. Clover sold at $8 for good and prime medium and fair mammoth. There was no demand for flax, and no sales were reported. The offerings were fair. Quotable at $1.13a1.35, according to quality. Prime Hungarian and millet were salable at about 60c, but of this grade there was little offered; common grades were slow at 50a55c. Buckwheat quotable at 60a70c, according to quality. Lots from store generally brought 5a10c above the given quotations.

THE IRON TRADE.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, February 4, 1876.

Pittsburgh.

Pig Iron.—There has been a fair degree of activity during the past week, and while, as will be seen, the demand was mainly for small lots to supply immediate wants, there was a very fair volume of business in the aggregate. That the general tone of the market is firmer is pretty generally conceded, yet the mills—so far as we can learn—are not disposed to anticipate future wants at current rates; there was nothing gained last year or the year before by contracting ahead, and mill owners, with but few exceptions, will continue to adhere to the hand-to-mouth policy—to buy only to supply immediate actual wants. It is true, stocks are comparatively light as is also the production, but it is claimed that the raw article is fully as high as the product, and it is argued that there can be no material or permanent advance in the former until there has been a very decided improvement in the latter. Following sales were reported:

CHARCOAL.

10 tons No 2 Foundry H B	$25 00 4 mos

CHARCOAL BLOOMS.

20 tons Charcoal	$65 00 4 mos

ANTHRACITE.

200 tons Gray Forge	$21 50 4 mos
100 tons No 1 Foundry	25 00 4 mos

CONNELLSVILLE COKE.

100 tons Gray Forge	$22 00 4 mos
200 tons Close White and Mottled	20 00 cash
20 tons No 2 Foundry	23 00 cash

BITUMINOUS COAL SMELTED FROM L. S. ORE.

200 tons Gray Forge	$22 50 4 mos
200 tons Gray Forge R S	21 00 cash
200 tons No 2 Foundry	24 00 4 mos
100 tons Gray Forge	22 50 4 mos
100 tons Mottled and Close Gray	21 50 4 mos

Manufactured Iron.—Some of our manufacturers report that business has commenced to pick up, while others do not speak so encouragingly; it is pretty generally expected, however, that there will be at least an average spring trade, and there is no good reason apparent why these expectations should not be realized. The most important source of complaint is in regard to prices, which, it is claimed, in consequence of an active competition, have been cut to such an extent that there is little or no margin for profit. Merchant Bars are quoted at 2, 15a2 25, 60 days.

Nails.—The outlook is improving. Orders have commenced to come forward more freely, and some makers inform us that by shading current rates, they they could contract for all they could make for some time to come. We continue to quote at $2, 65, 60 days, with two per cent. off for cash. Shoenberger & Co. still quote Horseshoes at 4¾, cash.

Scrap.—The movement in scrap iron continues very light, but there has been and is still considerable inquiry for scrap steel, and the stock of the latter in the hands of dealers is comparatively light; prices, however, have undergone no quotable change.

NEW YORK.

American Pig.—There have been a few contracts consummated during the week, which fact tends to give the market a trifle steadier tone, and a portion of the trade regard the position as more favorable. The production is of course much below that of a year ago, and there is a disposition on the part of makers to keep the production limited, but there are plenty of furnaces now blown out which are only awaiting the first symptoms of a revival in trade to commence operations. There is, however, no pressure to realize by any of the leading makers. We note sales during the week of 1,500 tons, mostly Thomas, 5,000 tons Allentown, delivered in Troy, and 1,200 tons, brands not mentioned, all at $23 for No. 1, and $21 for No. 2, and 250 tons Forge at $20. We quote: No. 1 at $23; No. 2 at $21, 50@22, and Gray Forge at $20@21. *Scotch Pig.*—The supply of Scotch iron continues small, and with but little on the way; prices continue firm. The demand is only for small parcels, but the market equal to the supply, and in most cases stock is secured before arrival. The proposed reduction in the tariff has had little, if any, perceptible effect, and probably will not until there is a possibility of the bill becoming law. We quote Coltness at $32, 50@32, 50; Glengarnock $30@31; and Eglinton at $28, 50@30, 50. *Rails.*—The general market presents rather a quiet appearance, although occasionally there is some little negotiating, without, however, resulting in much actual business. We have a report that 10,000 tons steel rails have been sold at the West, but do not hear of the particulars. *Old Rails.*—The market is unsettled and irregular. Very few are offering from the country and we doubt if any except an odd lot could be obtained at quotations, yet to force a lot on the market it would be very difficult to exceed $21 per ton. *Scrap.*—The market is exceedingly dull, and prices entirely nominal in absence of sales. We quote at about $30.

BRITISH IRON MARKET.

Dispatches to the *Iron Age*, under date of Wednesday last, say:

Scotch Pig.—The demand continues to fall off, and but a small business is doing, and prices are, in consequence, weaker. The following are makers' quotations: Gartsherrie No. 1, 75s; Coltness No. 1, 75s; Glengarnock No. 1, 70s; Eglinton No. 1, 65s. *Manufactured Iron.*—The market is quiet and quotations are nominally £10 for Best Staffordshire Bars. *Rails.*—There is a moderate business doing in Rails; prices, however, are weaker, and we quote Welsh £6@£6 15s.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, February 4, 1876.

FLOUR—Dull.

GRAIN—Wheat quiet; No. 2 Chicago spring 99¼c spot or seller February; sales: 96¾a 96¾c seller March; closed at 98¼c seller April; 89¾c bid seller May; two a 20¼c; rejected 64c. Corn steady; fair demand; No. 2 mixed 39¼c; sales: 38¾a39¾c seller March; closed at 39¼c bid seller April; rejected 30a a30½c. Oats dull and unchanged. Barley quiet and steady at 74¾c spot; 69¾a70c seller April. Rye dull and nominal.

PROVISIONS—Pork quiet and firm; $20, 37½ spot; $20, 37½a20, 40 seller February; $20, 32½ a20, 55 seller March; $20, 75a20, 77½ seller April. Lard firm; fair demand; $12, 22½a 12, 25 spot; $12, 37½ seller March; 12, 52½ seller April. Bulk meats: demand fair and market firm at 7¾a8a11¼a11¾c.

WHISKY—Steady and in moderate demand at $1, 06.

On Call Board Wheat was weak and a shade lower at 98¾a98¾c February; 99¾c March. Corn and oats weak and unchanged. Provisions strong and higher. Pork: large contracts sold at $20, 40 cash; $20, 67 1-2 March; $21 April. Lard $12, 25 cash; $12, 45 March.

New York.

NEW YORK, February 4.—Flour: rather more active; prices a little more steady; receipts 9,000 barrels; superfine western and State $4, 25a4, 65; common to good $4, 90a5, 35; good to choice $5, 40a6, 00; white wheat extra $5, 95a7, 75; extra Ohio $5, 40a7, 25; St. Louis $5, 30a9, 00. Rye firm; $4, 00a5, 00. Corn meal dull at $2, 90a3, 25. Wheat: decidedly better business doing; receipts 9,000 bushels; spring unmerchantable 94c; do rejected 94a$1, 00; ungraded $1, 10a1, 18; No. 1 Minnesota in store $1, 37. Rye quiet; western 84a86c; State 89a 94c. Barley a shade firmer at 85c. Malt quiet and firm. Corn firm; receipts 250,000 bushels; mixed no grade 56¼c; low mixed graded 62c. Oats: receipts 7,000 bushels; a shade better; rather more doing; western mixed State 46a50c; white 48a50c. Hay steady; shipping 85c. Hops unchanged. Coffee: mollasses and rice quiet and unchanged. Petroleum quiet and steady; crude 8¾a 8¾c; refined 14¾c; cases 19a21c; naphtha nominal. Tallow firm; 9¾a9¾c. Rosin steady at $1, 60a1, 65. Turpentine firm at 36¾c. Eggs firm; 19a20½c for western; 21c for State and Pennsylvania. Pork firmer at $21, 50. Beef quiet. Cut meats quiet; middles firm; western long clear 11¾c. Butter: choice firm; medium dull; western 15a25c; State 20a21c. Cheese steady at 6a12¾c. Whisky more active at $1, 13.

Foreign.

LIVERPOOL, February 4.—Cotton quiet at 6 1-2a6 13-16d; sales 10,000 bales, including 2,000 for speculation and export, and 7,000 for American. Wheat: receipts in three days 25,000 qrs., including 22,000 American. Western mixed corn, new, 27a27 1-2s.

LONDON, February 4.—In the London corn market there has been a limited trade of a dull and unsatisfactory character. Values have not varied materially, but such slight changes as have been made were in favor of buyers. At leading provincial markets on Tuesday, Wednesday and yesterday wheat was a six pence to a shilling lower. The imports have been fairly good, say 245,000 quarters. The arrivals of maize have been moderate, 85,000 quarters. Deliveries of English are rather above the average, and include 52,500 quarters wheat, 74,500 barley, and 4,500 oats. At Paris the weekly report shows that the market is lower for flour and some sorts of wheat. The continental markets generally are slow and dull. It is observed that the quantities of wheat, barley and maize now on passage to Great Britain are considerably smaller than a year ago.

LIVERPOOL, February 4.—The Liverpool Cotton Brokers' Association's circular says cotton has been only in moderate demand throughout the week, and with a dull market prices generally declined again considerably. American descriptions are in moderate request. Holders are still pressing stock for sales. Prices show some irregularity, and close fully ⅛d below last week. Future transactions continue to a fair extent, but prices have fallen about 3 16d. Sea Island is quiet, but full prices are realized. The decline in other descriptions ranges from 1-16d to a farthing.

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, February 4.—Sugar steady; common 6a6¼c; fair to fully fair 6⅝a 7¼c; prime to strictly prime 7¼a7½c. Molasses firm; prime to strictly prime fermenting 40a45c; prime to choice boiled 44a51c; choice not fermenting 52c; stock in sheds 12,000 bbls. Flour quiet and firm; superfine $3, 75; double $4; treble $4, 25a5, 75; choice and family $6a7, 25. Corn meal quiet and firm; held at $2, 40. Corn firm; white 53c; yellow firmer at 56a57c. Oats firm; 45a50c. Bran steady; 75c. Hay dull; prime $17. Pork firmer; held at $22; extra heavy to arrive $22, 50 asked. Bacon firm; 9¾a12¾a13c. Hams quiet; choice sugar cured 14c. Lard steady; tierce packers 12¼c; refined 13c; keg 13¾c. Dry salt meats dull. Rice: Louisiana common to choice 4¼a6¼c. Coffee easier, ordinary to prime 17a19c; jobbing ¼ to ½c above these rates. Whisky: rectified $1, 09a 1, 12.

Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, February 4.—Clover seed 13¼a14¼c. Flour inactive; high grades $7a 8, 50. Wheat in better request; Pennsylvania red $1, 38; western $1, 39. Rye 88a89c. Corn: yellow 54a55c; white 57a59c. Oats dull; white 44a45c; mixed 41a43c. Whisky firm; western $1, 11. Butter quiet; New York and Bradford county extra 32a34c; white 28a31c; western extras 27a28c; firsts 25a26c. Cheese firm; New York 12¾a13¾c; western fine 12½ a13c. Eggs firmer; Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware fresh 19a20c; western fresh quiet at 18a19c.

Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, February 4.—Cotton quiet at 12½c. Flour: demand fair and market firm. Wheat steady at $1, 25a1, 40. Corn steady at 42a44c. Oats steady; No. 2 33a43c. Barley and Rye dull and unchanged. Pork dull at $21a21, 25. Lard steady; steam 12a12¼c; kettle 13a13¾c. Bulk meats quiet at 7¾a12a 12¼c. Bacon firm at 9¼a9¾a11¾a12¼a12⅝c. Whisky steady and in moderate demand at $1, 05.

Toledo.

TOLEDO, February 4.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat dull; No. 3 white Wabash $1, 27; No. 1 white Michigan $1, 27½; No. 2 $1, 19; extra white Michigan $1, 37; amber $1, 24¾; No. 3 do $1, 04¾. Corn quiet and firm; high mixed held at 48a46½c; offered 46¼c; seller May 45c; low mixed 44½c; no grade 43c. Oats quiet and firm; No. 2 35½c; white 39c.

Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, February 4.—Cotton firm at 12½c. Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat quiet at $1, 05a1, 25. Corn quiet at 48a50c. Oats quiet at 43a47c. Rye quiet and firm at 80c. Pork $22, 00. Bulk meats 8, 10½ and 11½c. Bacon 9¼, 12⅝ and 12¾c; sugar cured hams 14c. Lard 14a15c. Whisky firm at $1, 05.

Boston.

BOSTON, February 4.—Flour quiet; western superfine $4, 50; common extra $3a3, 62½; winter wheat Ohio, Indiana and Michigan $6a 7, 25; Illinois $6, 50a8, 25; St. Louis $6, 50a9, 00; fancy Minnesota $7, 75a9, 75. Corn quiet; mixed and yellow 65a67c. Oats: mixed and No. 2 white 48¾a52½c.

St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, February 4.—Cotton dull and unchanged. Flour: more inquiry, but prices unchanged. Wheat dull at $1, 52½a1, 52¾. Corn firm at 42¾c. Oats dull at 35½c. Barley and Rye unchanged. Pork dull at $20, 75 a21. Lard quiet at 12c. Bulk meats firm at 7¾, 11¾a11½c. Bacon dull at 9, 12a12½c.

Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, February 4.—Flour steady and in moderate demand. Wheat steady; No. 1 Milwaukee $1, 07½; hard $1, 13½; No. 2 $1; No. 3 82c. Corn firm; No. 2 45c. Oats dull at 31½c. Barley steady; No. 2 spring seller February 92c; seller March 92½c; No. 3 nominal at 52½c. Oats quiet; No. 1 69½c.

Memphis.

MEMPHIS, February 4.—Cotton firm at at 12¼c; sales 1,500 bales; receipts 2,470; shipments 2,900. Other markets quiet and unchanged.

Oswego.

OSWEGO, February 4.—Wheat quiet; No. 1 Milwaukee Club $1, 40, extra white Michigan $1, 41. Corn and barley unchanged.

Live Stock.

NEW YORK, February 4.—Beeves: arrivals 1,790 head, making 5,030 for four days, against 5,100 for the same time last week; quality about medium; no Texas or Cherokee cattle or green native stillers; market no better than at close yesterday, some sellers called it worse by ¼c. More drovers from the West were in market than has been seen at the same time for a long time and the report from these owners was that their losses averaged $100 per car load; a few strictly prime steers sold at 12¾c; one car load extra 13c, with $1 per head off; outside figure for good steers 11¾c; poor to very fair native steers 8 3-4 to 11c; tough stags and oxen 8a8½c. Sheep receipts 4,940, making 13,260 for four days, against 15,860 for the same time last week; prices same as yesterday; like qualities; trade less active; common to choice sheep 5¾a7½c. Swine: receipts 2,450, making 9,260 for four days, against 12,200 for the same time last week; one car load rough Ohio corn fed hogs 236 lbs alive $8, 25 per 100 lbs.

CHICAGO, February 4.—Cattle: receipts 2,000 head; fair demand, and prices on good grades rather better; good to choice shipping $4, 30a5, 80; stockers and feeders $3, 50a4; butchers' $3a3, 25; shipments 1,500 head. Hogs: receipts 17,000 head; active and strong; 15a 20c higher; packing $7, 75a7 90; bacon $7, 75a 7, 80; New England $7, 90a8; Philadelphias $8, 10; shipments 2,100 head. Sheep: receipts 3,000 head; slow, and a shade easier; common to choice 3¼a5, 25.

ALBANY, February 4.—Cattle: receipts 277 cars; 8 more than last week; average quality somewhat better; ruling quotations ¼c lower; highest price 6, range 5 1-2a5¾c; bulls 4¼a 4¾c. Sheep and lambs: receipts 26 cars; average quality fair; market dull; ¼c higher; sheep: common to fair 4 1-2a5 1-4c; fair to good 5 1-2a6 1-4; extras 6 1-2a7 1-4; very choice 7¾c; few lambs received and met with quick sales at 5 1-2a6 1-2c; common to fair 6 1-2a7 1-2c; fair to good extras 8c.

BUFFALO, February 4.—Cattle: receipts 289 head; total for week 8,483; no market to-day; arrivals through consignments. Sheep and lambs: receipts 2,200; total for week 22,600; market moderately active at the opening quotations of the week; sales 1,800 Hogs: receipts 2,400; total for week 13,200; market dull and slow; heavy $7, 70a7, 80, Yorkers $7, 85a7, 80.

ST. LOUIS, February 4.—Hogs quiet; Yorkers $7, 20a7, 75; packing $7, 35a7, 60; extras 7, 75. Cattle dull and weak; fair to prime shipping steers 4¼a4¾c; pony steers 3¼a4¾c; fair to choice native cows 2¼a4c; native stockers 2¼a4c.

CINCINNATI, February 4.—Hogs steady and in moderate demand; common to good light $7, 45a7, 60; fair to good packing $7, 80a 7, 75.

INDIANAPOLIS, February 4.—Hogs: receipts 1,900 head; market firm and unchanged.

PHILADELPHIA, February 4.—Wool is in improved demand, prices firmer, but not higher; Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia XX and above 46a50c; X 46a48c; medium 49a54c; coarse 46a49c; New York, Michigan, Indiana and western fine 42a43c; medium 49a54c; coarse 46a49c; combing washed 58a65c, unwashed 42¾c; Canada combing 63c; fine unwashed 30a31c; coarse and medium unwashed 30a31c; tub washed 50a56c, extra and merino pulled 40a42c. No. 1 and extra pulled 40 a45c; No. 1 and extra unwashed 30a32½c; coarse and medium unwashed 30a31c; coarse 21a22c.

Dry Goods.

NEW YORK, February 4.—Business was checked by stormy weather, and was light in all branches. Cotton goods moved slowly, but are steadily held by agents. Quilts are more active. Plaid prints are in moderate request, but shirtings ruled quiet.

HOME NEWS.

The probabilities for to-day indicate a falling barometer, easterly to southerly winds, rising temperature, clear or partly cloudy weather.

The Weekly Gazette,

containing a full report of the House of Refuge Investigation, Father Gerdemann's Lecture on "The Bible in our Public Schools," and much other interesting information, can be had in wrappers ready for mailing.

Western University.

The term of this popular institution closes to-day, and a new term will commence on Monday morning next. The University offers superior inducements to those who wish to give their boys a thorough education. For terms, application should be made at once to the Chancellor, at the building, Ross and Diamond streets.

Dropped Dead.

Last evening, shortly after eight o'clock, an old gentleman was seen to fall on Ohio street, near the Diamond, in Allegheny. He was carried into Scott's saloon where it was found that he was insensible. Medical aid was at once summoned, but he expired in a few minutes. It was soon after learned that his name was Caleb Terry, and that he resided at No. 103 Park Way. Death is supposed to have been caused by apoplexy. The body was removed to his late residence. Deceased was the father of Officer Terry, of the Allegheny police force.

Amusements To-day.

At the Opera House this afternoon Mr. Sullivan appears as *Don Feliz* in "The Wonder—A Woman Keeps a Secret," and will be assisted by Mrs. Effie Ellsler as *Donna Violante*. He concludes his engagement this evening in "Richard III." At Library Hall a matinee will be given by the Humpty Dumpty troupe, whose pantomimic performances are conceded to be the best ever given in this city. Their last entertainment will be to-night's. At Trimble's the seeker for variety amusement will find, during both the afternoon and evening, all that is necessary to make a first-class entertainment. The company is quite large and of unusual strength.

Allegheny Poor Board.

The Allegheny Board of Poor Directors met last evening. Mr. T. F. Grubbs, Steward of the Poor House, reported 285 inmates in the Poor House, 26 of whom are insane. Secretary McGonnigle reported that he had paid out $549.55 in cash, $127.35 worth of coal, and $63 worth of shoes during the month, amounting in all to $719.90. During the same month of the previous year $2,844.34 were paid out. Bills to the amount of $4,800 were approved. The Finance Committee was authorized to borrow $2,500. The Clerk was directed to have the outbuildings at the Poor Farm insured. A vote of thanks was then returned to all the officers of the Poor Department. Adjourned *sine die*.

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Bids of the Leading Bidders.

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Ald. Waterman moved that the Committee on Printing be requested to report to the Council any matters of interest in their hands. Carried.

Ald. Clark, from the committee, reported that he had received the following bids for doing the city printing:

The *Inter-Ocean* bids 45 cents for each 6 lines of nonpariel first insertion, and 27½ cents for each subsequent insertion.

The *Post* and *Mail* bid 42 cents for the first insertion of 7 lines of nonpariel, and 35 cents for each subsequent insertion; also 50 cents for the first insertion of 6 lines of agate and 40 cents for each subsequent insertion.

The *Tribune* and the *Journal* declined to bid, and the *Times* made no answer to the request to bid.

HEALTH BOARD ELECTION.

Organization for This Year—Meat and Sanitary Inspectors Chosen—Abundance of Candidates—January Mortality Record.

The Board of Health met yesterday afternoon, in Municipal Hall, for re-organization. Dr. James McCann and Dr. J. P. McCord, the new members, were admitted on a certificate from the clerk of Select Council. Mr. Jacob S. Slagle and Dr. W. J. Asdale, were elected President and Secretary respectively by acclamation. For Treasurer Dr. Addison Arthurs and George W. Backofen, were nominated. On the first ballot the former received two votes and the latter six. Mr. Backofen was therefore declared elected. The organization of the Board having been completed the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. An election was next held for officers of the Board. Crosby Gray was chosen Health Officer, Dr. W. J. Snively, Physician, Hon. H. H. McCormick, Solicitor, and John G. Little, Registrar-Clerk, all by acclamation. For Meat Inspector T. W. Lindsay, the present incumbent, Chas. Jeremy, John Loeffler, George Kramer and Philip Drum were nominated. Mr. Lindsay was elected on the first ballot, having received five votes against two for Loeffler and one for Jeremy. For the three Sanitary Inspectorships the candidates were G. Hammersley, Nicholas Jones, Thomas Postlyon, G. W. Jamison, Conrad Shipp, C. A. Shriver, J. J. Lawson, S. B. Waugtner, John M. Turney, J. G. Hunter, Samuel Mitchell, Peter Price, Joseph McIntosh, Wm. Wincher, C. S. Morrow, A. Marlatt, Chas. Hauch, Robert Reed, F. N. Pearson, Henry Kreuger, Wm. Scott and R. S. Latham—twenty-two patriots in all. On the first ballot J. J. Lawson and Thos. Fording were elected. On the second, third and fourth there was no choice. On the fifth ballot Mr. J. G. Hunter was elected as the third Inspector. The matter of procuring metallic badges with which to conspicuously ornament the manly bosoms of the Inspectors was referred to the Finance Committee, with instructions to report a suitable design. The Board decided to ask Councils for an appropriation of $15,000.

Dr. W. Snively, Registrar, reported that the total number of deaths in the four wards and one day ending January 29th ult., was 187. The death rate equivalent to 1,536 per 1,000 inhabitants annually. There were 31 deaths of infants under one year and 38 of children between the ages of one and five years, making 37 per cent. of the total mortality. Consumption caused 20 deaths; acute diseases of the respiratory organs 21. Pneumonia caused but 15 against 43 for January, 1875. As compared with the previous month there was a decrease in the prevalence of small pox and scarlet fever, and an increase of typhoid fever. Small pox prevailed principally in the Tenth ward. 33 cases of scarlet fever were reported and 11 deaths; 18 of typhoid fever and 11 deaths; 19 of small pox and 5 deaths; 9 of diptheria and 6 deaths. The statement of comparative mortality is as follows:

Jan., 1873, 5 weeks	267
Jan., 1874, 5 weeks	357
Jan., 1875, 4 weeks and 2 days	285
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Health Officer Gray reported 239 nuisances abated last month, 18 cases of small-pox visited, 32 permits issued and $36 collected.

The Hospital Committee was instructed to insure the pest house for $3,000, after which the Board adjourned.

MERCANTILE LIBRARY.

Annual Reports of the Officers—An Unfavorable but not an Unhopeful Showing.

The directors of the Young Men's Mercantile Library Association held a meeting last evening to receive the annual reports of the officers. Gen. Sweitzer, President, occupied the chair, and Captain McClelland acted as Secretary.

The meeting last night was an adjourned one, the regular night for holding it, January 10th, having been occupied with the election of officers.

President Sweitzer read an address, reviewing the present condition of the Association and the reports of the officers. The report regretted that the Association was not in so flourishing a condition as formerly, but some consolation was derived from the fact that the condition of this Association was not exceptional, as Library Associations in every section of the country are suffering from the same influences. The circulation of books had fallen off during the year about eight thousand volumes. This was attributable partly to the pre-occupation of the people in business pursuits, and partly to the fact that only two hundred and eighty volumes were added to the library during the year, a number much less than for many years past. It was thought that, to keep up an interest in the library, new volumes must constantly be added.

The net proceeds from the lecture course of 1874-5 were $601.65. This small amount realized was attributed to the financial stringency of the times. The report for the last lecture season had not been received, but an actual loss resulted, which ended in the discontinuance of the course.

At the beginning of the year the Treasurer's report showed a balance on the debit side of $50. The expenditures over the receipts during the year were $451.50, making the total indebtedness over $500. To meet this there are uncollected dues from over three hundred members, which will more than clear the books. At any rate no uneasiness was felt over the indebtedness, as greater amounts had been cleared in former years without difficulty.

Official announcement was made of the deaths of Messrs. Nimick and Long, members of the Board of Directors, and a fitting tribute to their memory made. The retirement of the Librarian was also officially announced, and his long and faithful services received worthy mention.

The reports of the Secretary, Treasurer and Librarian were read and approved. The receipts from members for the year were $3,896.36, being $73.36 more than for the previous year. The total number of volumes in the library at the end of the year was 13,648, of which 338 were added during the year by donation and purchase.

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REFORM SCHOOL SENSATION.

Conflicting Statements Made by the Witnesses for the Defense.

Several Witnesses Admit that Annie Vanderkist was Handcuffed—An Expert's Opinion of the Moral-Suasion Theory—A Surprising Unanimity of Sentiment Amongst the Witnesses.

The gallery was deserted yesterday morning when the committee entered the chapel to resume their investigation. In the early hours of the morning the attendance of spectators was not large, but before noon the audience thronged the chapel. The poet-laureate flashed upon the committee, like a meteor, for a moment, and was gone. The opening moments of the session were occupied by the testimony of a Mr. Painter, who desired to correct a statement that he had made yesterday. The pomposity of this witness was quite amusing. As soon as the committee took their places he asked for an opportunity to correct the testimony extracted from him on Thursday. He said he was reported as saying that slowness in the whip-shop was considered an offense, and asked for the reading of the stenographer's notes, so that he might correct that statement, if it had been made. What he intended to say was that the boys had been punished for doing bad work and destroying material. Replying to Mr. Swartzwelder, he said it was considered an offense for a boy to bring a knife to the yard from any of the shops; once a boy stabbed another with a knife so obtained; knew of a conspiracy between the boys to escape, and they secreted bats for the purpose of overpowering the watchman.

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This concluded the testimony of the witness, and a recess was taken for dinner. During the interval the hall bell pealed every ingrant, and when the investigation was resumed the largest crowd of the session filled the chapel. Very many ladies were among the afternoon arrivals, and an intense interest was manifested by the entire audience in the developments of the investigation. The gallery, too, had assumed its wanted appearance, as the rail was again marked by the appearance of the lady officers of the Institution. But there was no hissing yesterday. Apparently, the single experiment in that line had taught those who tried it, that such things would not do. Miss Sarah McClellan, the Matron of the Boys Home, was the first witness heard in the afternoon. Upon direct examination she said that she had been in the Institution about twelve years. During that time her duties took her successively in almost every department of the institution. For the last ten years of her time she was in charge of the very small boys. Miss McCoy was matron all this time, and the witness could not recall an instance of cruelty on her part. Witness saw the matron have a small whip which the little boys called "Black Johnny." If Miss McCoy had at any time punished any of her charges with undue severety witness would certainly have known of it. Miss McClellan never saw or heard of Mr. Avery whipping any of the girls with a whip. She had no particular opportunity for seeing marks upon the backs of the girls, but if any of them had been marked by a whip she would have heard of it. Miss McClellan knew Annie Vanderkist, and thought she was a very desperate girl. She knew nothing about the punishment that had been inflicted upon Annie Vanderkist. Witness corroborated the testimony of the witnesses that had gone before upon the questions of food, clothing and the general treatment of the girls by Matron McCoy. Punishment was graded with reference to the offense committed, but none of the punishment was of a brutal character. It was necessary for her to inflict punishment on the boys for infractions of the regulations, but she in no case punished any of them cruelly. The whip she used was of the usual length, and the blows were always upon the back. She never drew blood, and as to welts, she had never looked for them.

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Questions of theology were then suspended, and the witness detailed a conversation between herself and Miss Pence, when the subject of the talk was the determination of Miss Pence and Miss Dickey to have Mr. Avery ousted from the Refuge. This had no important bearing upon the question at issue.

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Before beginning the cross examination Mr. Gill complimented the witness upon her ready and straightforward answers to questions of counsel. Replying to his questions she said that she would have known if Lucinda Jones had been locked up for a week, and fed upon bread and water for four days, but she did not know, nor did she ever hear, that such a punishment had been inflicted upon that girl. She knew that the mother of Rachel McKain had been with her for a long time during her final illness, but she did not know that her services had been declined. Witness had heard complaints of damaged meat, but the meat complained of was partaken of by officers and inmates alike.

THE MATRON'S "BLACK JOHNNY."

This concluded the testimony of the witness, and a recess was taken for dinner. During the interval the hall bell pealed every ingrant, and when the investigation was resumed the largest crowd of the session filled the chapel. Very many ladies were among the afternoon arrivals, and an intense interest was manifested by the entire audience in the developments of the investigation. The gallery, too, had assumed its wanted appearance, as the rail was again marked by the appearance of the lady officers of the Institution. But there was no hissing yesterday. Apparently, the single experiment in that line had taught those who tried it, that such things would not do. Miss Sarah McClellan, the Matron of the Boys Home, was the first witness heard in the afternoon. Upon direct examination she said that she had been in the Institution about twelve years. During that time her duties took her successively in almost every department of the institution. For the last ten years of her time she was in charge of the very small boys. Miss McCoy was matron all this time, and the witness could not recall an instance of cruelty on her part. Witness saw the matron have a small whip which the little boys called "Black Johnny." If Miss McCoy had at any time punished any of her charges with undue severety witness would certainly have known of it. Miss McClellan never saw or heard of Mr. Avery whipping any of the girls with a whip. She had no particular opportunity for seeing marks upon the backs of the girls, but if any of them had been marked by a whip she would have heard of it. Miss McClellan knew Annie Vanderkist, and thought she was a very desperate girl. She knew nothing about the punishment that had been inflicted upon Annie Vanderkist. Witness corroborated the testimony of the witnesses that had gone before upon the questions of food, clothing and the general treatment of the girls by Matron McCoy. Punishment was graded with reference to the offense committed, but none of the punishment was of a brutal character. It was necessary for her to inflict punishment on the boys for infractions of the regulations, but she in no case punished any of them cruelly. The whip she used was of the usual length, and the blows were always upon the back. She never drew blood, and as to welts, she had never looked for them.

A MIXTURE OF LAW AND THEOLOGY.

Here Mr. Swartzwelder said that he supposed it was first necessary to drive the devil out, before they stamped the angel there. The witness assented to his paraphrase, and Mr. Gill observed that he did not think the devil was driven out by such instrumentality. Mr. Swartzwelder suggested that if that did not suit his theology he was one of those who thought a couple of thousands of years of hell fire would be more efficacious.

Questions of theology were then suspended, and the witness detailed a conversation between herself and Miss Pence, when the subject of the talk was the determination of Miss Pence and Miss Dickey to have Mr. Avery ousted from the Refuge. This had no important bearing upon the question at issue.

Under cross-examination Miss McClellan testified that from her position in the Refuge she could not have a knowledge of occurrences, gained by personal observation, but she was kept posted on events by the girls, and the officers who were in the habit of telling her everything that transpired in the main building. In pressing this question upon the witness Mr. Gill made an Irish bull in asking if the matron was distributed all over the house. After laugh was over, the witness having corrected her testimony so as to make it say that she could know what was going on in any of the departments, when she was not present, she asked her if she could see through a brick wall, and she replied that if he were in the Refuge ten years he could almost see through a brick wall. She had no knowledge of Annie Roberts's confinement in a straight-jacket. Annie Roberts was a very desperate girl, and she had been punished for doing bad work and destroying material. Replying to Mr. Swartzwelder, he said it was considered an offense for a boy to bring a knife to the yard from any of the shops; once a boy stabbed another with a knife so obtained; knew of a conspiracy between the boys to escape, and they secreted bats for the purpose of overpowering the watchman.

Mr. Plummer—How do you know the boys secreted the bats.

Witness—The boys told me so.

Mr. Plummer—That is hardly competent testimony.

To Mr. Gill—The boys were forbidden to carry off the knives, because of apprehensions that they might use them criminally.

WAS SHE BLIND?

Miss Sarah Byington was sworn—She entered the institution in 1864, and remained until 1874. During this time she had always been an officer. She was a school teacher for nine years. At present she is teaching in the Home of the Friendless. While she was in the institution there were occasional whippings by Miss McCoy and herself. The violations of the rules were frequent, but the modes of punishment were various, and the whipping was always the last resort. The other punishments were deprivations of privileges, but the girls were never restrained in their food. Sometimes the witness kept the children in after school hours, and once she punished a child so kept in by her. She never saw Mr. Avery whip any one, boy or girl. The rule was to whip the refractory inmates in the presence of all the other inmates, though she had known Miss McCoy to take delinquents into the hall and punish them. Miss McCoy and Mr. Avery were always gentle and lenient. There could have been no whipping in the girls department without her knowledge, though she would not know of whippings in the boys' department. The treatment was not so cruel as the published testimony indicated. Mary Kennedy, Mary O'Leary, and Barbara Dott had their hair shaved off by the Matron for trying to escape. Witness knew Annie Vanderkist, who was in the Refuge when the witness was. Annie escaped once by means of a key obtained from the Assistant Matron, and when she returned she was very refractory and vicious. After Annie was brought back witness saw handcuffs put upon her wrists by the Matron, and she thought that they were kept on her for forty-eight hours. The hand-cuffs seemed to fit her loosely, and after they were taken off, the witness remembered that there was some talk by the girls of marks on Annie's wrist, made by the manacles. Miss Byington had seen a straight-jacket on Annie Roberts, who was a very

TROUBLESOME LITTLE GIRL.

The straight jacket was not uncomfortable or painful. The statement that Annie Vanderkist was tied to a chair and whipped three times by Mr. Avery was untrue. Every circumstance pertaining to the description of that occurrence was false. The straight-jacket was only on Annie Roberts a couple of hours. An occurrence such as described by Annie Vanderkist could not have happened without her knowledge. Annie was not kept in her room for four months. She was such a bad girl that witness thought she should have been handcuffed all the time. The witness did not know of her own knowledge that Annie had not been kept manacled for weeks at a time, though if such had been the case she would have heard of it beyond a doubt. The rooms were always comfortable, as they were heated by steam, and there was always comfortable beds in them. Witness denied that she ever whipped Annie when she was tied to a chair or handcuffed. When Annie first came to the Refuge she was a smart, intelligent girl. She never openly counseled the girls to rebel, though her rebellious example was copied by them. She was about the worst girl in the school. After she came back she was very troublesome. There was no officer in the institution who would use the language attributed to Miss McGaffey by Annie. It could not be possible that Mr. Avery would kick a girl, as he was charged with kicking Kate Hooper. Annie was never confined four weeks and compelled to subsist on bread and water. Annie was such a girl that ordinary modes of punishments did not meet the requirements of her case. During the time that witness was in the institution the food of the inmates was good and wholesome. She never knew a child to suffer the want of food. On one occasion a rat accidently got into the soup, but the soup was not eaten. This was the only instance that any disreputable member of the rodent species took improper liberties with the food of the inmates. There were occasional instances of communication by writing between the boys and girls, and though this was a grave offence the punishment for it was not inordinately severe. The testimony of Miss Plotz was read to the witness, who denied its statements in detail. Miss McCoy did not carry a whip of any kind and the punishments were never severe. Large whip was of the medium size. During the whole time she was in the Refuge she never knew of a girl being whipped without sufficient cause. Good moral care was taken of the girls. The amusements provided for the girls were varied and instructive. The small girls were taken from the Algeo House in 1871, with the exception of soon removing them to Morganza, and they were then put into the same building with the large girls. Miss Byington had an impression that the great effort of the officers of the institution was to reform and improve the girls mentally and morally.

PICKING THE STORY TO PIECES.

Miss Byington testified under cross-examination that during the nine years of her rule in the school she did not punish with the whip more than a dozen times. She saw Miss McCoy whip girls a great number of times, and there might have been cases of punishment in parts of the house when she was not present and which she could not see. It was not the custom to whip girls in private. Here Mr. Gill read from the testimony of Mr. Avery, the statement that it was the custom of the matron to punish the inmates in seclusion, with a small stick or rattan. Miss Byington was not aware of the prevalence of this custom. Witness knew Victoria Smygo, and she believed her to be truthful. She also knew Annie Vanderkist, and she never detected her in a falsehood. She knew that Miss McCoy whipped Annie Vanderkist, in the sewing room, one night after school. The whip used was a small one, and if the whipping was in proportion to the offense it should have been a very severe one. During the time that she was in the institution no whipping could have occurred at which she was not present. During the ten years of her stay in the Refuge she had been absent several times for a whole night. She was sick once during her stay. Nailing the witness down to a direct answer, she acknowledged that there were times when Miss McCoy was alone in the rooms with different girls, and that she could not know whether, or not, at such times, Miss McCoy had, or not, used the language attributed to her by Annie Vanderkist.

THE WITNESS IN A MAZE.

Then, following this, the witness admitted that she did not know, of her own knowledge, that Annie Vanderkist had told a falsehood when she (Annie) said that she had been deprived of food for four days. She positively asserted that Mr. Avery did not kick Kate Hooper, and her reason for that answer was that she believed his character would not permit him to do such a thing. Kate Hooper could not have been kicked without her knowledge, though she was not always with Mr. Avery when he conversed with the girls. The majority of the girls who leave the Refuge do well. She did not know that the proportion who did well was as one to ten, but perhaps that proportion would cover the case. She never knew a girl to be stripped of her clothes and then whipped.

Sophia Leigh had been in the Refuge four years. During that time she had been a teacher. She never saw Mr. Avery whip any of the girls. She saw Miss McCoy whip but one girl, whose name was Ella Keefe. Whipping was only resorted to in extreme cases. Disobedience, and impudence were considered offenses for whipping. She never saw Annie Vanderkist whipped, and she did not think the girl could have been severely whipped without her knowledge. Witness never saw an officer carry a whip. The officers, indiscriminately are not allowed to punish inmates. Miss Leigh knew that Rachel McKain was not hard worked before her sickness. During R